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TRIBUTES TO FALL DEATH MAN, 25

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TRIBUTES have been paid to a 25-year-old man found dead behind a nightclub in Cannock after falling from the top of a building while on a night out.

The discovery was made in a secure yard off the Market Place behind Quartz Nightclub.

Police say he had been at a 'local nightclub before going out to a smoking shelter' and then falling from a 40ft-high building into the yard.

Insp John Ward, from Staffordshire Police, said: "He was last seen by friends in a nearby nightclub and then at a smoking shelter before being found in a yard deceased, and sadly he had fallen. There were no reports of a disturbance or fight that had taken place."

"The incident has been referred to the Health & Safety Executive, and work is still ongoing to track his final movements and talk to key witnesses. This is a tragic incident, and specially trained officers are supporting his family."

Tributes have been paid to the man, who had not been named by police at the time of going to press, on the Facebook page of sister paper the Express & Star.

Shock

Caroline McIntyre, who described the man as her partner, said: "My heart [is] broken into a million pieces. I still can't come to terms with it. And I never will."

"We had so much planned together and to look forward to. He didn't deserve this."

Gemma Walker said: "I was talking to him Friday night at work and when I got the call from my dad my heart stopped I'm still in shock now it doesn't seem real x."

Quartz Nightclub spoke of its sadness at the 'terrible news' after the body was discovered on Saturday.

On the club's Facebook page it posted: "We together with the other local businesses who have been affected are all working in conjunction with Staffordshire Police to retrace his movements of last night."

The club was providing police with CCTV to help with their inquiries.

Traders spoke of their shock, saying that a woman found the man at around 8.30am.

Joe Davis, from Cannock Market Hall, said: "Police were outside when we arrived and it was cordoned off where I usually park my van. I thought how sad."

Anyone with information should call 101 quoting incident number 201 of August 19 or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

92-HOUR CHALLENGE TO VISIT 92 FOOTBALL GROUNDS



Stephen Howe from Cannock who is visiting all 92 Premier and Football League grounds in 92 hours to raise money for his son's school

FATHER Stephen Howe is planning to drive to all 92 Premier and Football League clubs in 92 hours to raise money for his son's school.

The Staffordshire police officer is targeting the ambitious goal to raise funds for Sherbrook Primary School in Cannock where his five-year-old son Thomas attends.

Starting at Watford's ground on October 11 he will travel more than 2,000 miles in under four days to finish in Gillingham on the 14th. The 39-year-old hopes to raise £2,500 and is

confident he can complete the feat after doing a similar challenge in 2009 for Cancer Research UK. He said: "I did it when my mum had cancer and there was about 200 more miles then because of the clubs involved."

"Fortunately I'll be doing it alongside my mates from school Anthony (Crick) and Thomas (Hicks) so we'll do a three-hour driving stints then we get to sleep for a few hours."

"Obviously the more of us that travel, the more rest time we get so as we're all QPR fans

we've asked the chairman Tony Fernandes if he wouldn't mind coming along to help."

"It's all for a good cause – Thomas has come on leaps and bounds since he's been there."

The special needs school looks after children with a range of learning difficulties including Thomas who has global development delay, hyper-mobility syndrome and moderate learning difficulties. For more information or to donate, go to justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sherbrookprimaryschoolcannock.

CRIME

Police confident over £115m outlet village

A NEW police chief says she and her colleagues can 'be ahead of the game' in making the Mill Green development a safe place to shop.

Chief Insp Sarah Wainwright has played down suggestions that the designer outlet village, which is scheduled to open in the summer of 2019 at a cost of £115 million, will be a hotspot for crime.

She said officers had been on a fact-finding mission to avoid making the same mistakes that have occurred with other such schemes.

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FOOTBALL

Bramall returns to the Midlands

A FORMER Hednesford Town player who left for Premier League giants Arsenal earlier this year has returned to the Midlands for a loan spell with Harry Redknapp's Birmingham City.

Young defender Cohen Bramall, aged 21, will spend this season at St Andrew's alongside fellow Gunners defender Carl Jenkinson.

Bramall has yet to feature for Arsenal's first team in a competitive match.

PETITION

9,000 names in protest at HS2

A PETITION to stop HS2 plans from going ahead is racing towards the 9,000-signature mark.

The petition was started last week by UKIP MEP for the West Midlands Jill Seymour, who wants Transport Secretary Chris Grayling to cancel the high-speed rail line 'immediately' and cut all its funding. The petition stands at 8,770 names.

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Susan to champion deaf in diocese



Susan Myatt - 'unity'

A UNIQUE partnership between the Church of England and the Baptist Association in the Midlands will encourage deaf people to play a leading role in local worship.

Deaf Church brings deaf and hearing Christians together through services that use British Sign Language (BSL) as the main means of communicating.

It has spread to various congregations across the Diocese of Lichfield – an area with a population of over two million which includes Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, the Black Country and most of Shropshire – in recent years. Now,

Baptist Minister the Rev Susan Myatt has been appointed as the new Deaf Chaplain for Lichfield Diocese.

She will lead and coordinate monthly Deaf Church services at St Michael and All Angels in Penkridge and oversee pastoral care for deaf people across the Diocese.

Susan, who was born profoundly deaf, has established a Deaf Café at Rising Brook Baptist Church in Stafford where she is a minister.

She works with Baptist churches nationally on deaf issues and is a trustee of Deaf Anglicans Together. She said:

"I love to find unity across the whole church and it is important to me that both deaf and hearing Christians are able to worship, pray and enjoy their faith together, using British Sign Language as our main language."

Susan will work alongside Anglican priests who use BSL.

She carries on the work of previous chaplain the Rev Dr Leonie Wheeler who established and developed Deaf Church in the diocese aided by Dr Gill Meller.

Find out more by emailing Susan at sm@baptist-heartofengland.org

'We've been forgotten in £1bn rail proposal'

A BUSINESS leader has claimed that Staffordshire has been 'forgotten' as plans to transform the rail network across the West Midlands forge ahead.

Staffordshire businesses will greet news of a £1 billion investment in the West Midlands rail network with some trepidation, says Sara Williams, chief executive of the county's Chambers of Commerce.

The cash is part of a deal that will see West Midlands Trains – a joint venture between Abellio, East Japan Railway Company and Mitsui and Co – run the region's services under a new franchise.

From December, Crewe to London Euston services, currently operated by London Midland, will no longer call at Alsager, Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent and Stone. When West Midlands Trains begins operation, trains will go straight from Crewe to Stafford on the way to London, due to Abellio creating trains of up to 12 carriages which cannot stop at these shorter platforms.

Ms Williams said: "Once again, transport connectivity in Staffordshire has been forgotten by Westminster."

"Despite an extra £1bn investment in the rail network, businesses need a reliable and consistent rail network which offers cheaper and fairer rail fares to help businesses remain profitable and competitive."

MP praises work of support group

AN MP has praised the work of a voluntary group offering support to people in need of care.

Gavin Williamson, MP for South Staffordshire, hailed the work of the South Staffordshire Community Voluntary Action Group.

Mr Williamson visited the group behind the Care Navigation Project.

They support those over 50 with multiple complex needs, those with long-term health conditions, the frail, elderly and vulnerable along with their carers.

Mr Williamson said: "I am always so impressed with the work that is done through the South Staffordshire Community Voluntary Action Group."

"I know that their work is having a massive impact and I look forward to seeing the results of their efforts."

Pub to hold fun day

A FAMILY fun day will be held at the Mill Farm pub in Lichfield Road, Cannock, on Monday between midday and 5pm. Admission is £1 for adults and 50p children. There will also be a Beer 'n' Band Night starting at 7pm. For details, call Debbie Webster on 07921 611627.

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Serving up idea to help stop elderly loneliness

A CHARITY in Cannock is tackling loneliness among the elderly by inviting them for afternoon tea.

In celebration of National Afternoon Tea Week, Contact the Elderly is inviting local residents to join in its monthly tea parties.

The charity wants to address isolation among people aged 75 and above and organises the parties on one Sunday afternoon a month.

Each guest is collected from their home and taken to a volunteer host's home, where they meet with a group for tea and a chat.

Contact the Elderly has over 630 groups throughout England, Scotland and Wales, and provides a service to over 5,000 people aged 75 and over.

Currently the groups in Cannock have space for a number of new guests to join.

Contact the Elderly's Development Officer, Pamela Walker said: "For older people who live alone, Sundays can be particularly long and difficult."

"The monthly events make a real difference to the lives of those in the group and we would encourage anyone interested in coming along, or those who know of people to whom it might appeal, to get in touch."

Anyone wishing to get involved can email Pamela.Walker@contact-the-elderly.org.uk, call 0121 603 1331 or contact the charity's National Office on Freephone 0800 716543.

Latest plans sent to district council

PLANNING applications received by Lichfield District Council include:

57 Cannock Road, Burntwood – garage and loft conversion to form lounge and bedroom with en suite with dormer windows.

Unit 7C, Burntwood Business Park Zone 2, Ring Road, Burntwood – installation of two windows in gable wall.

7 Eastwood Avenue, Burntwood – single-storey extension to side to form lounge, office and one bedroom with en suite.

12 St Matthews Road, Burntwood – single-storey side and rear extension to form dining/family room, shower room and garage with canopy to front.

Comments must be received by September 4.

Holiday market

A BANK holiday market and car boot sale will be held at Penkridge Market. The event will run from 9am to 3pm on August 28 with free admission and free parking. Stall holders will sell local produce such as homemade pies.



Welephant meets some youngsters

A NEW community fire station threw open its doors to give the public a chance to see its new facilities.

Lichfield Community Fire Station, in Birmingham Road, hosted an open day ahead of its official opening in October.

People were given the opportunity to see fire crews in action during a road traffic collision demonstration and fire simulation where the firefighters wore their breathing apparatus and entered the fire training house with a hose to show how they would tackle a blaze.

Guided tours of the new station were also offered in order to show the visitors the community rooms available to them for community groups and events.

Regular

Fire safety mascot Welephant was in attendance, and he signed 24 children up to the Wele Club, which helps children to learn more about fire safety.

The children who became members will receive regular newsletters containing the Staffordshire Fire Ser-

vices' safety messages, puzzles, and educational illustrations for them to colour in.

Speaking about the open day station manager Ruth Watchorn-Rice said: "It was great to see so many people come to visit us at the station for an action-packed afternoon."

"We really value this time to meet the community and to show them what we do."

"The road traffic collision demonstration was a big hit and the children enjoyed taking part in our house fire rescue demonstration."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Camera club gets ready for season

RUGELEY & Armitage Camera Club's new season begins on Monday, September 11.

With nearly 100 members, it is one of the largest photographic clubs in the Midlands.

The club caters for everyone from beginners to enthusiasts, from phone cameras to professional models.

"If you have an interest in photography or simply like taking pictures, then please pop along and see what we do," said publicity secretary Dave Hammer.

"We meet at Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre, Sandy Lane, Rugeley at 7.30pm."

Fire chief to get honorary degree

BECCI Bryant, Chief Fire Officer at Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service, is to receive an honorary degree for the contribution to her field.

At the time of her appointment in April 2016 she was the only woman in the UK to have achieved the top job.

She is now to become an Honorary Doctor of Professional Practice courtesy of the University of Wolverhampton. Ms Bryant will be presented with the degree at the city's Grand Theatre on September 19. She said: "It is an absolute privilege to receive an honorary degree from a local university."

Audience to solve murder mystery

THE Lichfield Garrick has teamed up with Big Adventures Theatre Company for three nights of murder mystery tomorrow, Saturday and Monday.

Murder in Bloodford Village is the second murder mystery event put on by the theatre after last year's sell-out Murder on the Churchill Express.

The audience is invited to solve the murder of millionaire Charles Van Mortem, who is found strangled with his own telephone cord. The evening includes a summer buffet made by Lichfield chef Simon Smith.

Call the box office on 01543 412121.

New course on how to research family history

A NEW six-week course of family history lessons is to be held at Burntwood Library from the end of September, on Wednesdays from 2pm to 4pm.

"The lessons will be suitable for anyone wishing to start tracing their family history and will involve a very small amount of research on the computer," organiser Pam Woodburn said.

Anyone interested can contact Pam on 01543 684208 or via email at pam.woodburn@talktalk.net

Protests build up on green belt housing bid

A RAFT of concerns have been submitted to Cannock Chase Council about proposals to build on green belt land to meet housing needs.

More than 500 people have issued formal responses to the council's latest 'local plan', which was published earlier this year.

The policy document outlined land for about 3,000 homes to be built between now and 2028, while swathes of green belt land were identified to accommodate new properties beyond that.

The responses have now been collated and will be discussed by cabinet bosses today (Thursday). A report says: "Several responses were submitted objecting to the inclusion of green belt and AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) options in the list of sites and options being appraised and stating that these areas should be protected."

"There were concerns about the number of sites which had been included in the plan. Concerns were raised about the potential for merging communities."

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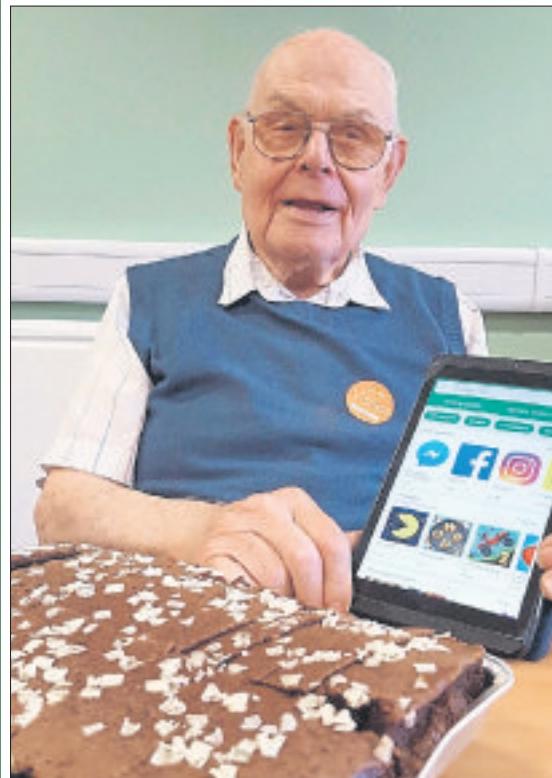
Council leader George Adamson has admitted the masterplan will 'change the face' of the district in the coming years and stressed how important it was residents submitted their views.

The district council has earmarked several sites to accommodate housing in the next decade. The largest plots include the former Parker Hanifin site at Walkmill Lane, Cannock, which could take 93 homes; land opposite Hednesford Town FC, which could hold 90 properties; and the former Aelfgar School site in Rugeley where 85 have been earmarked.

Meanwhile the authority could adopt a different strategy, targeting land where planning permission has already been granted.

That would see plots at Norton Hall Lane, Norton Canes, earmarked for 450 homes and a site at Green Heath Road, Hednesford, where 414 are already being built, help meet housing needs. Between now and 2028, Cannock Chase may also have to provide a further 1,000 properties to cater for a shortfall in Birmingham.

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Fred Wright's picture of his 91st birthday celebrations went viral

Millions of happy birthdays for Fred

MILLIONS of people, including a few celebrities, marked Fred Wright's 91st birthday after a photo of him celebrating went viral.

Fred, of Burntwood, was snapped marking his birthday at the St Giles Computer Social Group, which meets at its Lichfield hospice.

Twitter analytics showed that Fred's picture reached more than five million people. On Facebook it had been liked 2,700 times.

He had birthday messages from Boy George, Janice Long and Cerys Matthews. He's even got his own hashtag #MakeFredFamous.

St Giles community engagement manager Ian Leech said: "Fred's a fantastic example of someone who is still learning in their tenth decade so it seems a brilliant opportunity to show that on social media."

"We expected maybe 100 likes on Facebook and some retweets but really didn't expect the response we got."

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Volunteers plea for trust's work

VOLUNTEERS are wanted for a county wildlife trust's nature reserve. Staffordshire Wildlife Trust needs help from people in Lichfield, Burntwood and Cannock.

It is to help with its recently acquired Gentleshaw Common. The trust has signed a 99-year lease with Lichfield District Council. Tasks for volunteers include bracken control and heathland restoration.

Volunteers meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month with each work party taking place between 10.30am and 3pm, meeting at the parking area off Chorley Road at the end of Ogley Hay Road.

Coroner's court opens its doors

DUDLEY'S historical coroner's court will be throwing open its doors to the public as part of Heritage Open Day next month.

The event, on September 9, is a celebration of the country's architecture and culture, and venues not usually open to the public allow access to enable visitors to discover the hidden treasures lying within.

The Coroner's Court, located on St James's Road, Dudley is a Grade II* listed building, was designed by Harry & Wicks, and built between 1924 and 1928, as part of the civic quadrant. For more details on go to www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Young doctors shun surgeries

A THIRD of trainee doctors have been put off working in GP surgeries, according to a new West Midland study.

They would rather be locums or salaried GPs than in a GP partnership.

Research by the University of Warwick found that perceptions about workload pressure was putting young doctors off. Professor Jeremy Dale said: "A sizeable proportion of individuals did not describe their future career plans, perhaps expressing ambiguity about career direction."

Cadets scheme is all set to be launched

A POLICE cadets scheme will be launched in the autumn.

It will be rolled out at schools in Birmingham and Sandwell after the start of the new school year with plans to expand across the region in 2018.

Pupils at Washwood Heath Academy, Hobo School, Shireland Academy and Holly Lodge Science College will have the first opportunity to sign up to the new Volunteer WMP Cadets.

Going away? John would love a postcard

A NURSING home in Cannock is appealing for holidaymakers to send postcards from their travels to a resident who has never been abroad.

John Richard, aged 70, has lived at The Heathers since January 2016 and with the help of staff is enjoying a project that helps him see more of the world, from the comfort of the home.

Activity coordinator Dawn Hall has been researching different countries

for John to 'travel' to, with India being first on the itinerary.

"Using photographs from travel guides and holiday brochures, John is putting together a memory book of his journeys.

Dawn said: "When talking with John, he told me that he had never been abroad.

"Since he is unable to travel any more, we thought up the idea of

taking him on a virtual tour around the world." In addition to his memory book, John has been collecting postcards from staff members at the home, and sticking them to his map of the world, mounted on his wall.

He is keen to collect postcards from as many destinations as possible, and has appealed for members of the public to send him cards from their travels. Home manager Tracey Burke said: "We're constantly aiming to stimulate our residents and to enable them to do the things they would like to do. Unfortunately, John is no longer able to travel, but with modern technology and an enthusiastic army of helpers, anything is possible."

Holiday postcards should be addressed to John Richard, The Heathers, Gorsemoor Road, Cannock, Staffordshire WS12 3HR.

£20k handout facing axe in spending row

By Jordan Harris

A £20,000 council handout is set to be pulled from a tenants group after a row over 'excessive' spending.

The spending by Chase Tenants and Residents Association has been flagged up in a review into the organisation, set up in 1995.

Now Cannock Chase Council will decide at a cabinet meeting today (Thursday) whether to axe funding to the group based at Highfields Centre in Smalley Close, Hednesford.

The Chase Tenants and Residents Association was created to 'represent the voice' of residents groups and has been receiving £20,000 a year from the council with accommodation costs and officer time. Anne Ames, chairman of the tenants organisation, said it would be 'sad' for the community to lose their contribution and said they are prepared to fight to keep their work going.

Issue

She said: "Residents associations are dealing directly with the problems that are on their estates. Who knows these problems better than the people who live on these estates? We work closely with tenants and they approach us directly regarding problems with all kinds of council issues.

"We do realise money is a big issue in general for the council.

"I feel that we would be letting the residents down if we didn't fight to keep our service going. We also consider ourselves to have spent quite responsibly over the last few years."

A council report said: "Reviews of their financial accounts have identified a number of areas with high spend, for example use of taxis. The spend is considered excessive."

Councillor George Adamson, leader of the council, said: "Relations have been tense. At the end of the day, it is public money they are using."

Families enjoy summer fun at Amazon



From left, Pirru Gabiela, Pirru Stefan, Pirru Antonio and Pirru Georgetta Picture by Simon Hadley/UNP

STAFF at Amazon's Rugeley base celebrated summer with a fun day and barbecue.

Members of the Rugeley team working at the online retailer's giant fulfilment centre in the town took their family and friends along to the event, which had a School Sports Day theme.

Management have praised the benefits of the day, held at Rugeley Rugby Club, for members of staff and thanked those who attended.

Scott Wharton, general manager at the Rugeley centre, said: "We've had a great day and it was fantastic to see so many of the team and their families enjoying

themselves. Our family fun days are an opportunity to thank the team for playing a key role in delivering for customers every day here in Rugeley."

"We've celebrated summer with an excellent party and wonderful food. I'd like to thank both our organising committee and the Amazon associates and their families who came along."

Matty Harvey, who works at the Rugeley site, said: "It was nice to be able to invite my family along to meet the whole team here and get involved in the activities. There was something for everyone today with great entertainment, lovely food and a wonderful atmosphere."

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A shiny red phone box? It's yours for a pound

TIME is running out for communities to adopt their local phone boxes.

BT is set to scrap half of the UK's remaining phone boxes following a fall in usage – including dozens of the iconic red landmarks.

Around 20,000 phone boxes are set to be removed over the next five years following a 90 per cent decline in use over the last decade. It was announced last year that more than 150 phone boxes in Staffordshire and the Black Country faced being scrapped.

Some of these have already been adopted. For a nominal fee of £1, BT will remove the phone and hand the kiosk over to the local community.

Some of those already adopted now house defibrillators following a campaign by the Community Heartbeat Trust. Other obsolete boxes are being used as libraries or to showcase artwork. Although 33,000 calls a day are still made from phone boxes, a third are used only once a month, and some are never used at all.

Spiralling maintenance costs have led to plans to scrap the iconic boxes but BT is giving local authorities the chance to save them.

Across the country, 8,000 are up for adoption – and in Staffordshire and Shropshire, there are 60 red phone boxes under adoption offers.

Any council, charity or community group can request to adopt a phone box.

Earlier this year, it was reported that 11 have been adopted in the Staffordshire borough, two in Cannock, one in Sandwell and four in South Staffordshire. Twenty six have been adopted in Shropshire, seven in Telford and Wrekin and 55 in Powys.

New appointments to council cabinet

TWO new appointments to Staffordshire County Council's cabinet have been confirmed.

Mike Sutherland, who represents Etchingham and Heath, takes up the role of cabinet member for finance, and Gill Burnett, who represents Kidsgrove, takes over from Mr Sutherland as cabinet support member for adult safeguarding.

The appointments follow the selection of Alan White as deputy leader after Ian Parry, who held the portfolio for finance, stepped down from the cabinet last month.

Councillor Philip Atkins, leader of the council, said: "I am delighted that both Mike and Gill are taking up these two important roles.

"They bring with them a wealth of experience in local politics."

Millions of trees for HS2 and it will be 'flood-proof'

BRITAIN'S new high-speed rail link will be able to withstand the worst flood to hit Britain in a millennium, bosses have revealed.

The £5.7bn HS2 project will be designed so it is able to endure a one-in-1,000-year storm.

And millions of trees will also be planted along the 350-mile route which passes through 45 miles of Staffordshire.

A spokesman said: "The HS2 project will leave an environmental legacy by conserving, enhancing, restoring or transforming areas along the route, as appropriate."

"The new line between London and the Midlands and the North will add long-term resilience to the rail network. It is being designed to withstand adverse weather and remain operational in a one-in-1,000-year flood, to avoid personal and business costs associated with transport disruption."

"We will strive to mitigate these effects, for example by providing noise mitigation for residents, minimising disruption to the existing transport network and planting millions of trees."

"We will continuously work with local communities to look at ways to minimise and mitigate the impacts of HS2 and ensure residents and businesses are supported throughout."

Work on the line between London and Lichfield will start next year.

Pupils learn to be recycling Pioneers

TEENAGERS have been inspired to make their schools more environmentally sustainable, following a challenging week in the Welsh wilderness where they swapped mobiles for mountains and rubbish for recycling.

Year 9 students from Cannock Chase High School and Walsall Academy have developed ideas to make their schools recycle more, use less energy, and stay litter-free as part of a Green Pioneers initiative run by The Midcounties Co-operative, in partnership with the Outward Bound Trust.

They developed their ideas during a week at an Outward Bound outdoor education centre in Snowdonia National Park, which saw them learn about natural resources, survive on rations, and use a log-burning stove.

Walk from Winster

CHASE Ramblers are going on a nine-mile moderate/strenuous walk from Winster, Derbyshire, on Sunday. The meeting point is Hedgesford railway station for a 9am departure. For details call Barry on 01543 684254.

Busy Bees still on the takeover trail



Managing director Marg Randles at work

BUSY Bees, the Staffordshire-based nursery business, is back on the takeover trail again, days after sealing a major international deal.

It is paying £87 million for the BrightPath childcare group in Canada. Now it has acquired six UK nurseries to add to the 334 it already operates.

Busy Bees will now be providing care for over 35,000 children aged from three months to five years.

It has acquired four nurseries formerly owned by Bramleys Nurseries – Bramleys Day Nurseries in Arding-

ton, Rockwell House Day Nursery in Wantage, Ladygrove Nursery in Diddcot and York House Day Nursery in Salisbury – as well as Toybox Great Denham Nursery in Bedfordshire and Heriot Hill Nursery in Edinburgh.

The four nurseries, which were part of The Bramleys group, currently offer 351 places to children from the age of three months to five years.

Toybox Great Denham, which is rated by Ofsted as Outstanding, has been providing childcare in Bedfordshire since it opened in April 1998 and offers 73 places to children up to

the age of five. Meanwhile, Heriot Hill Nursery, which was established in Edinburgh in 1988, offers 132 child-care places.

Marg Randles, managing director at Busy Bees Childcare, said: "We have very specific requirements when choosing who we buy. It has to be an environment that allows children to be happy and to thrive."

Originally founded in 1983, Busy Bees opened its first nursery in Lichfield the following year.

Now based at Burntwood, it has 340 nurseries and employs 8,000 staff.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Fund launched to buy wheelchair

A FUNDRAISING day will be held in Penkridge on Sunday to boost a fund set up to pay for a special wheelchair.

Friends and family of Lichfield student Robert Fletcher launched an appeal on the JustGiving website with a target of raising £2,000.

A car boot sale will be held at the South Staffordshire College campus in Rodbaston towards the cause. Local businesses have also donated prizes for a raffle.

Anyone wishing to take part should contact Robert's sister Trish Fletcher via her Facebook page. Traders will be charged £10 to take part, with a £5 fee for members of the general public.

Course to teach life-saving skills

A FREE training session in adult CPR and the use of public access defibrillators to be held in Chasetown.

Calling 999, performing CPR and using a public access defibrillator gives the best possible chance of surviving to someone in cardiac arrest.

The two-hour training session will be held at The Old Mining College Centre in Queen Street on September 9 at 10am.

Places are limited so early booking is advised. Call Burntwood Town Council on 01543 677166 or email info@burntwood-tc.gov.uk

Hundreds enjoy drive-in Grease

HUNDREDS of people enjoyed watching Grease from the comfort of their cars at Beacon Park's Drive-in Movie.

Councillor Iain Eadie, Lichfield District Council's cabinet member for leisure, said: "It was a brilliant evening, watching a film under the stars with family and friends. 'We're always keen to get feedback and to hear ideas about the sort of events locals would like to see happening in our parks.' Email parks@lichefielddc.gov.uk

Beacon Park is now preparing for Lichfield Proms on September 2. Visit www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/lichfieldproms

Rat Pack show to create Vegas vibe

A LAS VEGAS-INSPIRED show is coming to Lichfield.

The Rat Pack Vegas Spectacular will be at the Garrick Theatre on Saturday, September 9. West End star Phil Barley takes the role of Dean Martin. The show will feature classic songs such as 'Come Fly With Me', 'That's Amore', 'Fly Me To The Moon', 'Mr Bojangles', 'Mack The Knife' and 'New York, New York'.

Call the Garrick on 01543 412121.

I will publish Nune files says crime commissioner

Stamps artist in new tribute to Diana



Hednesford artist Peter Mason with latest portrait of the princess, made from Diana stamps

ABOUT 2,000 commemorative stamps have been collated to remember Princess Diana on the 20th anniversary of her death.

Peter Mason, aged 73, a retired art teacher from Hednesford, is behind the masterpiece – the latest in his 'post pop art' designs. Diana died on August 31,

1997 and Mr Mason said next Thursday's anniversary gave him an opportunity to create a second Diana design from stamps.

His previous portrait, a 7ft-square effort consisting of 20,000 stamps, marked the 10th anniversary. Mr Mason said: "I give talks on stamps around the area and it was quite interesting in that a lady I didn't know came over to me."



One of the stamps

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We must not let them build on the Chase

NOTHING would be safe if developers are allowed to build on Cannock Chase, the former leader of the Green Party has warned.

Natalie Bennett has joined the campaign to protect the beauty spot – and met with local residents.

She joined Councillor Paul Woodhead to meet people living in Cannock Wood who voiced their concerns about potential plans to build houses on Cannock Chase, which is designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). It is part of Cannock Council's Local Plan in which they aim to build 5,300 houses by 2028.

Proposals were put forward in January about where new houses could possibly be built and one of the sites is within Cannock Chase which could see the development of 500 new houses.

Wrong

It is one of 46 AONBs, meaning they are some of the UK's most cherished and outstanding landscapes.

Ms Bennett said: "Almost nothing would be safe if we developed in an area like this, it would be utterly the wrong direction to be heading in."

"What we are looking at is ancient woodlands and an amazing natural environment which would be a huge biological and ecological loss. Local residents talking to me have lived here for decades and if it is part of a larger development, they would lose all cohesion that is so evident here."

Ms Bennett and Councillor Woodhead argue that there is not the infrastructure in place to be able to cater for such a plan due to limited bus services. They also pointed out that there are brownfield sites in places where there is the infrastructure if the homes are needed in the area.



Former Green Party leader Natalie Bennett with Cannock Wood residents

Question mark over fracking

A question mark now hangs over the issue of fracking, the leader of Cannock Chase District Council believes.

Councillor George Adamson, Labour's candidate for the Hednesford & Rawnsley county council by-election, commented on new reports challenging the profitability of fracking.

He said: "Leading scientists are now questioning whether the geology of fracking – the hard facts – actually add up. It is entirely likely that there is far less accessible shale gas than

originally thought. The only way they will find out is by drilling exploratory wells deep into the landscape."

"Last year the Tories in Westminster snuck through changes that could see fracking on Cannock Chase in the future. I could not be more clear that Labour in Cannock Chase will continue to oppose fracking, exploratory drilling and anything that could disrupt the Chase, which should be protected for everyone to enjoy as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty."



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All I can see is unemployment rising and inflation too, higher interest rates, and more misery for the young home buyers.

Good idea, Mr C.
ROGER ALLEN
Great Wyrley

Money found

A SUM of money was found at the Orbital Retail Park, Cannock, on Thursday, August 17.

If you are the person who lost it, please contact Cannock police station.

P HARVEY
Cannock

We have nothing but praise for doctor

FURTHER to your reader's comments concerning the NHS report about Dr Murugan's practice at the Hednesford Valley Health Centre, I have been unable to add my own comments until now (Letters, August 17).

Dr Murugan has been my wife and I's (in our upper 70s) doctor for about five to six years and have not had many health problems over that period that have involved him. However, I have had to consult him twice this year with

a badly infected lower leg during which I had spent two short periods in New Cross Hospital, followed by the diagnosis being finalised resulting in my waiting for different specialists to follow up the matter (which had got worse).

Visits to Dr Murugan at this point resulted in him pursuing New Cross for the specialist analysis/treatments. The result was nil for almost five weeks. He then strongly pursued the matter, last week (after a further visit by myself to

his surgery) and resulted in being seen by a dermatologist at Cannock Hospital today! Result – a positive diagnosis with the treatment finalised to suit.

I cannot but praise Dr Murugan for this (and the few years' previous less serious matters).

Personally, I do not have any complaints about his medical expertise and results.

MR P B ARCHER
Hednesford

Beat It – by helping to raise Bags of cash

THIS September, the British Heart Foundation (BHF) is raising awareness of Women and Heart Disease and I want to encourage readers to help fund life-saving heart research by taking part in our Bag It Beat It campaign throughout the month.

Having a clear-out and donating any unwanted items to your local BHF shop is a really simple way everyone can get involved and help in the fight for every heartbeat.

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CAROLINE JONES
Area manager at the British Heart Foundation

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Be ambitious with targets for exercise

Walking together to give charity a boost

EVERY year, 41,200 people in the UK are diagnosed with bowel cancer, including my mum. Luckily it was spotted early and she has now recovered from the disease.

Physical activity plays an important part in stacking the odds against a bowel cancer diagnosis and as a keen walker myself, I'm delighted to support Bowel Cancer UK's Walk Together. Walk Together is a sponsored five-mile walk to bring people together so that they can show their support for those undergoing treatment, remember loved ones we have lost and raise funds to help stop bowel cancer.

Sign up to Walk Together in London on Saturday, September 23 or to receive a fundraising pack with everything you need to hold your own memorable walk. Visit bowelcanceruk.org.uk/walktogether

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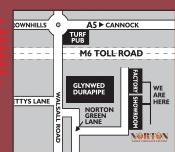


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Memories of seaside are evoked

Cannock Chase Ladies Probus Club

THE club's July luncheon was held at The Barns on July 27.

Chairman Sheila Yard welcomed everyone present, especially prospective members Jan Browne and Marj Woollet.

She also welcomed Carolyn Dyer who had returned to the club after an illness and Gloria Knight. There were two visitors, Joan Ingram, sister of Gill Worrall-Arnold and Susan Halls, friend of Norma Hutchinson.

Cicely Garbett said Grace after which the ladies sat to have their luncheon.

After the Loyal Toast a short business meeting took place. Mrs Yard then introduced and welcomed the guest speaker Peter Cadman, who gave a most humorous and interesting talk entitled 'Oh! I do like to be beside the seaside'.

He gave a history of the beginning of holidays for families generally. Blackpool on a charabanc and Billy Butlin's holiday camps at Skegness.

Peter also showed a selection of McGill postcards which were sold at all seaside holiday towns and these were very funny. The ladies were transported back to a bygone age before the advent of package holidays and cruising.

Gill Worrall-Arnold gave the vote of thanks and afternoon ended with everyone singing 'Oh! I do like to be beside the seaside'.



June Bould, President Val Jones and member Lakhwinder Thompson

SI Cannock & District

women in Meru County, Kenya to grow food and feed their families.

During the afternoon members had the opportunity to promote the work of Cannock Soroptimists to other stallholders and those visiting the fair.

For more information about the work of the club, or to arrange to come along to a meeting, visit www.sigbi.org/cannock-and-district or their

Facebook page www.facebook.com/SI/Cannock or email sicannock@outlook.com

Visit to Trentham enjoyed

Hednesford A TWG

HEDNESFORD Guild welcomed Barbara Andrew who gave a very interesting illustrated talk entitled 'Grandma was a suffragette'.

At the next meeting in August the guild will be holding a fundraising cream tea. There was no Luncheon

club meeting in August is still to be arranged.

Guild meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 2pm at St Peter's Church Hall, Hednesford. Newcomers always welcome. Details from Doreen on 01543 877987



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Ex-body piercer is spared jail over theft

A FORMER body piercer stole more than £2,000 from a sick friend to feed his own drug habit, a court heard.

Guy Lawrence was given a key to the man's home while he was in and out of hospital. But temptation got the better of 27-year-old Lawrence, of Vardon Court, Anson Street, Rugeley, who admitted taking £2,030 from his friend.

Cannock Magistrates' Court heard unemployed Lawrence had a £80-a-week cocaine habit.

His friend became suspicious and confronted him.

Prosecutor Emma Thompson said: "The injured party noticed items going missing, including cash. He knew he had some £2,000 in the flat and was aware the defendant was aware of that."

"While in hospital he asked a relative to collect the cash but it was missing. Lawrence was confronted and admitted taking it."

Paul Jenkins, defending

Lawrence, said: "He was genuinely supporting the gentlemen for a period of time but then temptation got the better of him."

By Carl Jackson

The court heard that Lawrence had been a self-employed body piercer until February when a loss of clients, as well as growing competition, resulted in him being out of work.

Lawrence had been spending up to £80-a-week on cocaine but had been clean for the last three months. He pleaded guilty to the theft between April 25 and May 5.

Magistrates sentenced him to 18 weeks in prison suspended for 18 months, ordered him to carry out a rehabilitation programme and 150 hours unpaid work.

He must also repay the stolen amount to his friend as well as £185 in court costs and a £115 victim surcharge.

Room with the most stunning view chosen



The view from the window at Shugborough that proved a winner in the competition

SHUGBOROUGH Hall has been voted the Midlands' most beautiful 'Window with a View' in a national competition which saw thousands vote for their favourite images of stunning architecture and landscapes.

The historic Staffordshire attraction, near Cannock Chase, went up against Old Joint Stock, in Birmingham, East Midlands Trains, and the Royal Derby Hospital in the contest launched by MyGlazing.com – an independent free consumer advice site.

Shugborough Hall will now go against finalists from 10 other areas across the country for the title of the UK's Best Window with a View. The 2017 winner will be decided via an online vote at MyGlazing.com/WWAV which will be open until September 30.

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How football prank still haunts me today

'I hold my hands up and admit that I have been a bit of a naughty boy over the years, but I wasn't looking for trouble that day - what happened still haunts me.'

On August 15, 1987, the life of avid Wolves fan Andrew Charlesworth changed forever in a day that remains part of football hooliganism folklore.

Mr Charlesworth, then aged 23 and a home and away supporter, travelled with his friends to Scarborough for the opening game of the season.

The opponents had just been promoted to the Football League as Wolves continued to plummet down the tiers of English football, with the clubs meeting in a fourth division fixture at the home club's Seamer Road stadium, called Athletic Ground.

Disabled

Mr Charlesworth fell 30ft through the roof of the stadium's Hindewell Road stand after climbing on top with a number of other Wolves fans.

It is an image which has been replayed in countless documentaries on football hooliganism culture.

He said: "There was just a set of stairs from a kiosk that led you up to the roof and having had a few beers, we thought why not. That section of the roof was made out of asbestos sheeting and it just couldn't take my weight."

Mr Charlesworth, who lives in Huntington, was left severely disabled by the fall and still needs the use of crutches and a neck brace. He also suffers from arthritis, spondilitis and is partially paralysed for life after falling onto the concrete terraces.

The game was overshadowed by violence that saw an exit gate battered down, a food kiosk ransacked and play held up for 10 minutes at the start of



Andrew Charlesworth relives his football ground accident ordeal

the second half amid clashes between the police and visiting fans.

The ugly scenes even forced then Wolves manager Graham Turner to make a plea to fans via a PA system in the stadium to stop the trouble.

Mr Charlesworth, now 53, said the reaction from some Scarbrough fans to his fall and injuries, including laughing and verbal abuse, led Wolves fans to 'tear up' the stadium.

After the match, Mr Charlesworth recalls seeing his fall countless times on television, reading numerous headlines labelling him as 'hooligan scum' and had to deal with media at his door. He said: "It was crazy, I had just become this huge story and people were

using me as an example. I read stories where people were calling me hooligan scum and they would interview people for TV who said they wished I would have died because I was the problem with football at that time."

"I wasn't looking for trouble that day I was just being a bit stupid and something unfortunate happened."

Mr Charlesworth added: "I want kids to know that staying in school, working hard, getting a good job and a nice family - they are the important things in life."

"I was never a big football hooligan and on that day 30 years ago I wasn't looking for trouble but it found me and it has stayed with me ever since."

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Rotary's new governor sets out goals for year in office

THE new Rotary Club district governor for the region has been setting out her goals for her year in office.

Carol Reilly is at the helm of the district that covers Staffordshire, Shropshire and parts of the Black Country.

A member of the Rotary Club of Walsall Saddlers, she said her theme for the year will be Rotary: Making a Difference.

"It is my belief it represents what Rotary is and does every day and in so many ways," she said.

All the communities who benefit from our great programmes appreciate that Rotary exists to make a difference.

"Our communities are better places because of Rotary making a difference."

"Furthermore, Rotary makes a difference to ourselves as Rotarians. The core to all our work is membership through involvement in projects by members using their vocations, skills, interests and hobbies to 'do good in the world'."

"Our target is to increase Rotary's presence within all our communities by the formation of new clubs or satellites where there is not a club situated and plans are being worked on to achieve this."

"Peace is also a key topic of the theme for this Rotary year and I am asking all Rotarians to join me and Make a Difference by ensuring there is peace within our local, national and international communities."

Prior to taking up office, she retired after 37 years in the NHS.

She still retains links with the NHS as Rotary District Health Awareness Day lead, a position she has held since 2008.

Huge blaze tears through farmland



Crews spent more than seven hours tackling the fire on farmland just off the A452 Chester Road

A BLAZE tore through farmland in Stonnall with firefighters spending more than seven hours tackling the flames on eight acres of farmland.

Crews from Codsall, Tamworth, Rugeley, Lichfield and Cannock attended the fire on farmland just off the A452 Chester Road, Stonnall after receiving a call at 3pm on Thursday. The blaze, which is believed to have been started deliberately, spread quickly

through the field. A Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service spokesperson said: "Firefighters managed to put the fire out relatively quickly but due to the nature of the location, some crews had to stay to make sure that it didn't re-ignite."

Finn Naughton, from Stonnall, who witnessed the blaze, said: "It looked as though numerous hay bales had been set alight."

PCSO fiddled expenses

A FORMER PCSO who wrongly claimed 24 expenses claims and told bosses he worked 33 days which he didn't have been ordered to pay back more than £8,000.

Leigh Yeomans, aged 35, of The Laurels, Fazeley, Tamworth, received a 12-month suspended sentence for two counts of fraud.

He will undertake 250 hours of unpaid work in the next year and repay £8216.44 compensation in full to Staffordshire Police, as well as £340 legal costs,

after being given a concurrent sentence for the two counts. Stafford Crown Court heard that Yeomans had not worked on 33 full days and had falsely submitted 24 expense claims.

He was suspended in March 2016 and as a PCSO was entitled to resign from his position, which he chose to do in June 2016. He had pleaded guilty at Derby Magistrates Court to the charges.

Staffordshire Police chief constable, Gareth Morgan, said: "The public has the right to expect the highest levels of honesty and integrity from the officers and staff."

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Fundraisers digging deep for mountain high



Karl Dixon, Lee Forrester, Brian Wiggs, Glenn Wiggs and Jamie Leighton on their epic challenge

THERE ain't no mountain high enough for the family and friends of cancer patient Tami Leighton.

Mrs Leighton's husband Jamie along with lifelong friends Karl Dixon, Lee Forrester, Glenn Wiggs and his father Brian Wiggs challenged themselves to walk the challenging Snowdon Horseshoe to raise funds for the 49-year-old, who was diagnosed with a brain tumour in May.

Glenn Wiggs, 36, from Hednesford, said: "It was horrendous. To be hon-

est. It was the biggest challenge I have ever done.

"We all hit the wall at some stages but the thought of Tami and what she is going through kept us going. She is a fantastic woman."

The group raised more than £8,000 for Mrs Leighton's treatment with more cash to be collected.

The friends and family of Mrs Leighton, of High Green in Cannock, have taken on all sorts of tasks to raise money for her. Donations can be made at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/karl-dixon-1



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Pubs raise a glass after success in competition

THE Five Ways Inn at Heath Hayes and the Colliers Arms in Cheslyn Hay are raising a glass to success in a Pub of the Year competition.

The family-run Five Ways Inn on Hedgesford Road won the top Staffordshire award, after being taken over in May 2016.

Bar manager Rachael Barsby runs the pub along with her mother, Lisa and step-father John.

The 24-year-old said: "We all chip in, it's a real family-run thing, my sister works here, my nan helps out, as well as running it with my mom and step-dad and the pub has got a strong community feel."

When the family took over the pub, they started serving food too and now have a popular take-away pizza service, adding to their traditional pub menu.

Strengths

The Colliers Arms, in Cheslyn Hay High Street, took the Walsall title after the owners took over two and a half years ago.

Landlady Hayley Scott runs the pub alongside her husband Kelton, after her parents bought it as they were 'bored in retirement'.

Mrs Scott, 33, said: "My parents bought it when they were retired – they were bored basically."

"They've also recently bought Old Wyrley Hall, so we're running the two places at the moment."

"I think one of our strengths is that we bought a pub that was already popular with friendly customers and we've just added to it."

The awards came in the Express & Star's Most Popular Pub of the Year competition.

Lynn Butler, 'Nanny' Jan, Lisa Wilson, John Wilson, Rachael Barsby, Carly Twist and Livy Howdle at the Five Ways Inn, Heath Hayes

Landlady Hayley Scott and parents Carl and Lynne Worgan, who all run the Colliers Arms, in Cheslyn Hay

The competition, now in its second year, saw 33 pubs enter.

The three pubs whose customers collected the most tokens printed in the paper received an unannounced visit from a member of the E&S and were judged on customer service, atmosphere, pricing, quality of food and hygiene.

Runner-up in Staffordshire was

the Littleton Arms, in Penkridge, which won the award last year.

In the Walsall area, the Noah's Ark Inn at Willenhall finished runner-up.

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Spotlight shone on rural crimes

THE Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire is shining a light on rural crime.

According to a recent report, theft of machinery, vehicles and livestock cost the UK farming industry over £39 million a year. The figures released by NFU Mutual show a slight reduction in Staffordshire of 4.3 per cent compared with the previous year. Police in Staffordshire have introduced a number of measures to tackle rural crime.

Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner Sue Arnold said: "I'm encouraged by these latest figures which show progress for Staffordshire, but we mustn't become complacent."

"These crimes can have a devastating effect, but all too often go unreported. Being a large, rural county, Staffordshire has its challenges in terms of policing and requires the support of communities to make a real difference."

Yob must pay £1,127 to McDonald's for damage

A JOBLESS teenager has been told to pay McDonald's more than £1,000 in compensation after he punched an electronic ordering machine.

Colin Dixon had been drinking when he entered the Lichfield restaurant at around 10pm on May 19 and lashed out at the digital display.

Friends hauled the 18-year-old of Portfield Grove, Birmingham, out but he was later tracked down after

CCTV was passed on to police. Dixon admitted hitting the machine and blamed the incident on family troubles he was struggling to cope with.

Ms Emma Thompson, prosecuting, told Cannock magistrates: "Staff said he looked to be affected by drink or drugs.

"Within seconds of walking through the door he stepped forward to a large digital display approaching it and punching it resulting in the display being damaged. It cost McDonald's £1,127.18 to replace."

Mr Will Harrington, defending, said Dixon had been struggling to deal with the fact his mother had recently died and his father, who is in prison, had also been taken ill.

Dixon admitted criminal damage. Days before he had been handed a 12-month community order for a theft conviction and was ordered to carry out 40 hours of unpaid work.

Magistrates maintained the order but extended the unpaid work to 80 hours. The unemployed teenager must also pay McDonald's £1,127.18.

Vote now in fire service awards

PEOPLE are being invited to vote for their heroes in the fire service for an upcoming award.

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service's revamped Fire Service Champion awards take place on October 12 to recognise and reward those who have made an outstanding contribution in their role.

The awards, which are being held for the 10th year, will feature up to 14 categories, including the publicly nominated fire and rescue champion of the year award.

This is given to the individual or team to have demonstrated outstanding community spirit, going beyond the call of duty to help people overcome difficult situations.

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Call for rethink as library hours cut

AN MP has asked that a decision to reduce opening hours at a library be reversed.

Gavin Williamson, MP for South Staffordshire, is concerned about Cheslyn Hay Library having reduced access for residents following a recent decision made by Staffordshire County Council.

The library was previously open five days a week at varying times, but it will now only be open on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

Mr Williamson said: "The library is an extremely important part of the community and helps to educate our young people, as well as engaging individuals from all age groups who are passionate about reading."

"I have urged Staffordshire County Council to reconsider this decision as our libraries are so incredibly important in encouraging our community to grow and thrive."

Employment at all-time high but region's jobless total rises

EMPLOYMENT has reached an all-time high in the UK and pay growth picked up pace, easing the pressure on cash-strapped households confronted by higher inflation.

The Office for National Statistics said the number of people in work nationally rose by 125,000 to 32.07 million in the three months to June, with the employment rate climbing by 0.3 per cent to a record 75.1 per

cent. In the West Midlands the number in work was 2.67m, a rate of 72.3 per cent.

The jobs market remained a bright spot for the economy, with the unemployment rate dropping by 0.2 per cent to 4.4 per cent for the three months to June, its lowest level since 1975.

The number of people out of work dropped by 57,000 on the quarter to 1.48m – a 12-year low – but the West Midlands saw the number unemployed rise by 3,000 to 164,000 or 5.8

per cent of the working population.

Meanwhile, the so-called claimant count fell nationally by 4,200 in July to 807,800.

Stafford had 20 fewer claiming at 730 (0.9 per cent), Cannock Chase was down 20 to 785 (1.3 per cent), Lichfield fell by 10 to 445 (0.7 per cent) and South Staffordshire reduced by five to 785 (1.2 per cent).

Annual growth in wages was 2.1 per cent for April to June, up from a revised figure of 1.9 per cent for March to May.

Elderly are alerted over gift card con

THE elderly and vulnerable are warned to be vigilant as a new scam is uncovered with fraudsters claiming to be from HM Revenue & Customs.

Staffordshire Police are warning people of the fraudsters who trick victims into paying bogus debts and taxes using iTunes gift cards.

A spokesman said: "The fraudsters are asking victims to purchase iTunes gift cards as payment. There are a variety of methods being used including calls, texts and voicemails."

"Fraudsters like iTunes gift cards to collect money from victims because they can be easily redeemed and easily sold on. The scammers don't need the physical card to redeem the value and instead get victims to read out the serial code on the back over the phone."

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Two-year-old Dotty's troubles were put down to her being clumsy – but she was actually suffering from a painful condition called entropion, where the eyelids roll inwards and cause the eyelashes to scratch the eyeball.

Rugeley-based veterinary practice Donnachie and Townley operated on Dotty to correct the problem, which

involved removing tissue from around the eye and pulling the eyelid down into its correct position.

Entropion is a common condition in bulldogs, Shar Pei and other brachycephalic breeds – those with flat faces and short noses.

Dotty is now enjoying a new lease of life with the Yapp family – Sharon, Rob, their daughter Poppy – and their other two bulldogs, Buddy and Blue.

"When we brought Dotty to Donnachie and Townley they explained what they would need to do, and they have

been amazing. We're thrilled," said Sharon, who lives near the Rugeley practice.

Donnachie and Townley is looking to raise awareness of entropion. Entropion surgery is not corrective, as further changes in the dog's facial skin can cause the condition to return.

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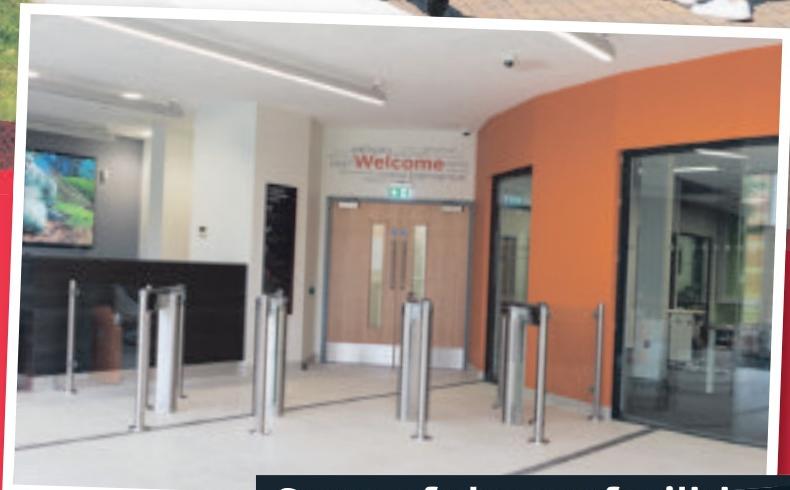
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Enough is enough says 999 boss over assaults

THE number of attacks on paramedics is soaring – and now an operations manager for West Midlands Ambulance Service has said 'enough is enough'.

Dan Stretton, who has worked for the service for 17 years, said it used to be unusual to even be sworn at, but physical attacks are almost a daily occurrence.

West Midlands Ambulance Service staff were victims of 525 verbal assaults and 362 physical assaults in the last financial year. This included 163 verbal attacks in the Black Country and 54 in Staffordshire, as well as 104 physical assaults in the Black Country and 49 in Staffordshire.

Figures show that attacks on ambulance staff had risen for the third straight year.

Aggression

Mr Stretton says he has witnessed the abuse first-hand and believes the assaults have contributed to paramedics leaving the profession and seeking work in other areas of healthcare.

The 37-year-old said: "There's been a year-on-year increase in the amount of violence and aggression that's been shown to staff."

"It's a very sad part of the job that people have started to accept as the normal, but it is not acceptable."

Mr Stretton said he believed the figures could be significantly higher as not all assaults are reported.

He said: "People have had enough of being shouted at, sworn at, spat at, and they go to work in places such as GP surgeries and hospitals where they feel a bit safer and less vulnerable."

Ambulances are fitted with CCTV cameras which record and save the data if crews press a panic button.



Operations manager Dan Stretton, centre, with, from left, Clare Eccleston, Linda Butler, Tracy Stephens and Matt Newell

Breathing treatment trial

WEST Midlands Ambulance Service and the University of Sheffield have launched a trial to improve care for patients with breathing problems.

The trial is looking at patients who suffer from life threatening acute respiratory failure.

The condition often results in patients spending long periods of time in hospital, frequently in intensive care.

It happens when heart or lung disease suddenly develops or worsens and leads to patients being unable to

maintain oxygen levels in the blood. As many as one in eight patients will die from the condition.

During the trial, ambulance crews will use a CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) device. It involves delivering oxygen under increased pressure through a facemask effectively forcing oxygen into the lungs.

The ACUTE (Ambulance CPAP: Use, Treatment effect and Economics) trial, will involve ambulance crews in Staffordshire and Birmingham.



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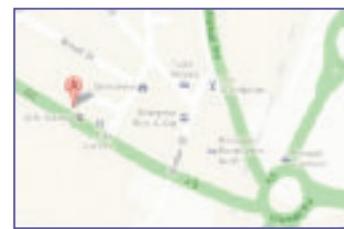
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'Think about the best path'

EVERY pupil should be 'proud of their achievements', an education chief said, as he urged teenagers to consider their next step carefully.

Staffordshire County Councillor Philip White said getting the right advice for what to do after 14 years of study was crucial due to the many options available, whether it be university, college or apprenticeships.

He congratulated students, saying: "Every one of them should be proud of their achievements, and I want to wish everyone

receiving exam results every success in the future, whatever their next steps may be."

"There is now more choice than ever for post-18 education, whether that's through a traditional university route, or through college or apprenticeships. So, whether you got your predicted grades or did better or less well than you expected there are a huge range of options available."

"In Staffordshire, we want to be sure that students have access to the best education and are able to make real choices."

A-level pupils jumping for joy in county

THERE were first-class marks for thousands of students across Staffordshire as they picked up their A-level results. Nerves were frayed across the country as students waited to find out their fate.

But Chase Grammar School saw plenty of students jumping for joy. Success stories included George Nellist, aged 18, from Cannock, who is going to Loughborough University in September, studying sports science and business management. He achieved an A in both business and PE, as well as a B in English literature. He said: "I am a bit shocked but I am definitely glad I have got the results I needed."

Eliza Grace, 19, also from Cannock, got a B in English Literature, and Cs in biology and chemistry. She will now go on to study law at Manchester Metropolitan University. Students across Staffordshire chalked up another year of top marks.

Record results were recorded at Cheslyn Hay Sport and Community High School Sixth Form where 99.3 per cent of students achieving A* to E. Great Wyrley High School said it had been another positive year of A2, AS level and vocational achievement with the vast majority of those applying have secured places at their chosen universities.

Sixth form students at Wolgarston High School in Penkridge saw recorded another set of 'strong' results, said headteacher Philip Tapp, and The Hart School in Rugeley once again beat its predicted grades with a higher percentage of top marks and outstanding performance in art and design.

Lichfield Cathedral School is celebrating after marking yet another year of excellent academic and personal achievements for students.

Grades good enough for Cambridge places



Thomas Page and Rebecca Smith at Cardinal Griffin

CARDINAL Griffin Catholic College in Cannock is celebrating after two of its students got the grades to take up places at the University of Cambridge.

Eighteen-year-olds Rebecca Smith, who lives in Chadswood and got two A*s and a B, and Thomas Page, who lives in Norton Canes and achieved three A*s, will be studying history of art and veterinary science respectively.

Their triumph came amid a record-breaking set of A-level results for the school, with 43 per cent success in the A*-B range and 74 per cent in the A*-C range.

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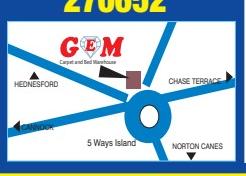
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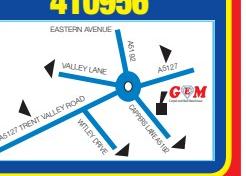
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'Extremely dangerous' drug seized at V site

REVELLERS at the V Festival were put at risk by pushers selling fake Ecstasy tablets.

Organisers issued a warning after an 'extremely dangerous' drug was seized and dozens of arrests.

But police said that on the whole the event passed off smoothly and was 'one of the safest festivals in the country'.

Security staff found and tested substances Pentylyne and N-Ethylpentylone, which they say would have been sold as party drug MDMA, or Ecstasy.

In a message, organisers at Weston Park said it had 'severe adverse effects' and those taking it require 'urgent medical attention'. The warning came as police arrested dozens of people for drugs at the three-day event, which featured the likes of Ellie Goulding, Jay Z and Pink and drew 70,000 fans.

Arrests

A festival spokesman said symptoms of the dangerous drug included nausea, vomiting, hypothermia, inability to sleep and agitation. Staffordshire Police said two women had been treated for taking an unknown drug on Sunday.

There were 32 arrests on Friday and Saturday, including 24 for drugs offences.

Officers found thousands of Ecstasy tablets, weighing a total of half a kilogram, along with a quantity of cocaine, on a group of men and hidden in tent compartments.

Six men from the North West were arrested for possession of a class A drug with intent to supply. Police arrested five other men for trying to smuggle in a combined total of 575 nitrous oxide canisters, known as laughing gas, with intent to supply.

A further 10 people were arrested on the Friday for possession of drugs, including MDMA and ecstasy pills, into the festival.

Supt Martin Brereton said: "There has been some outstanding work to prevent drugs getting into the festival."

Celebrations at dogs' home



Jilly Rivers, who is fundraising co-ordinator, with nine-month old Tia who is being tempted with a lactose-free dog ice cream

IT was a tail-waggingly good day when hundreds of rehomed dogs attended a special fundraising day in aid of the charity that found them their families.

The Sunnyside open day and fun dog show took place on Saturday, with organisers looking to raise between £4,000 and £6,000.

The event was a chance for the families who had adopted dogs from

the Coven-based home to return to the place they first met their pets.

Fundraising co-ordinator Jilly Rivers said: "It was absolutely wonderful to see the dogs come back and see us."

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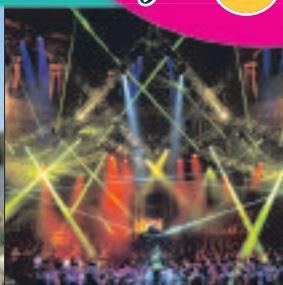


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Water leak discovered after road is repaired

MOTORISTS could face more delays after water was seen leaking from a recently repaired roundabout.

Water has been found coming out of water covers on the Hill Top roundabout in Hedsor, which was recently resurfaced, with an MP saying that another potential round of work is 'the last thing' motorists would want.

The leak was an issue before the resurfacing but appears to have returned. Amanda Milling, MP for Cannock Chase, said she was contacted about the issue by residents.

She said: "A number of people have been in touch with me about the water leak at the Hill Top roundabout, following the resurfacing. Water can be seen coming out of the water covers on the island."

"The leak was an issue I raised with South Staffordshire Water several weeks before the road resurfacing was started. I have again chased them about this issue."

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"The last thing we want to see is the road being dug up again, after it has a new surface laid down by Staffordshire County Council. I have again been in touch with South Staffordshire Water and they are carrying out exploratory works. Until the investigations are complete, they are unsure as to the repair work needed. However they were aware that the road was being resurfaced over the last few weeks."

Hill Top roundabout was one of a number of problem sites council bosses pledged to fix in recent months.

Five Ways Island in Heath Hayes is a nightmare for motorists and has been highlighted as one of the most damaged roads in the district.

The number of complaints issued to Staffordshire County Council in relation to that roundabout has soared in less than two months.

Sporting award for Shaun



Shaun Sutcliffe, aged 11, with Walsall FC goalkeeper Liam Roberts and Swifty the club mascot

A CANNOCK schoolboy has been recognised for his achievements both on and off the sports pitch at school having been awarded a year's free football coaching from Walsall Football Club in a competition sponsored by Santander.

Shaun Sutcliffe, 11, recently left Redhill Primary School in Cannock and will begin Year 7 at Cannock Chase High School next month.

While at Redhill, Shaun has been school sports captain and sports ambassador for the school and taken part in a whole range of events. He was nominated for the award by his former sports coordinator and class teacher at Redhill, Paul Mobberley.

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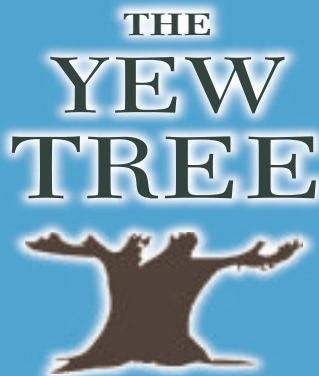
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Deborah's Led a life less ordinary

She hails from one of the greatest rock families of them all. Rock'n'blues singer Deborah Bonham grew up as her big brother, John, was becoming the greatest drummer in music history. The Led Zeppelin powerhouse was fast, powerful and had his own distinctive groove. Though he died at the tragically young age of 32, he left a legacy that lasts to this day.

Deborah was eight or nine when Led Zeppelin started to take off. And she imagined that his 'job' – of touring the world, recording number one hit records and having fans fall at your feet – was perfectly normal. As you would, at the age of nine.

"Where John's talent came from, nobody can say. I think it's something you are born with. From the age of two or three, he was bashing pots and pans. When it took off for them, I was so young. I grew up with it. I grew up in the thick of it. I just thought that was a normal way of life. I thought you made an album and it went straight to number one."

"Believe me, I later learnt that was not always the case. But I was very young when he joined Led Zeppelin, I was only six or seven. I had a false understanding of the music industry to be fair. But I always knew I wanted to sing."

Not that John – or, indeed, Deborah's mother and father – wanted her to follow in her illustrious brother's footsteps. "It wasn't something my brother or mum and dad wanted me to happen. Especially after seeing what the industry was like, with John. He was right too. It wasn't any place that he wanted his kid sister to be."

"So I did a bit of opera singing to start with. But I just loved blues/rock. And I love performing live. I was always going to do it. You can't deny what's in your heart."

Her parents encouraged her to succeed at school instead of pursuing her improbable dreams of being a rock singer. She took their advice, to a point. "One great thing I did was learn to speak French at school. I sort of stuck with it and now, for me, one of the best places to tour is France. I often think of my brother and mum and dad telling me to stop at school and learn and I think of how I mastered French because, of course, it paid off. Except I use the language to help me sing the blues."

Deborah, who hails from Redditch, is back on her old stomping ground soon with a headline gig coming up at Wolverhampton's Slade Rooms on September 22. It's her second in the region in recent times. Back in May she headlined Birmingham's Symphony Hall with Paul Rodgers, the former Free vocalist who also sang with Queen. The Paul Rodgers gigs were a blast and Deborah is looking forward to being back in the West Midlands.

"I'm really excited about it. I can't remember the last time I played Wolverhampton, it was many years ago. I love it up there. Any chance I get to come and play up there is great. We did Symphony Hall with Paul Rodgers and that was one of the most amazing gigs."

She used to spend most of her life in the Black Country, hanging out with bands and watching gigs. "We always used to come over. I saw Slade. I remember seeing them at the Wulfrun Hall and they were bloody brilliant. They were a real rocking band."

She also played a gig when

Singing the blues – Deborah Bonham returns to the Slade Rooms



'Uncle' Robert Plant turned up to do a duet – much to the surprise of fans. That was at Huntingdon Hall, in Worcester, not far from Robert's Kidderminster home.

"Singing with Robert Plant, given our family's history with Led Zeppelin, was a massive moment. Robert's been like a brother or uncle to me. That was at Huntingdon Hall. He turned up and got up to sing with me, unbeknownst to the audience. That was a high moment. When things like that happen, it's an honour isn't it."

"But there's been a lot of amazing moments in my life. Every day I think how lucky I've been. I was a big fan of one of the all time greatest female vocalists, Ann Peebles, who had a hit with I Can't Stand The Rain. We ended up doing something together, a few shows, and we recorded a version of Can't Stand The Rain.

"I've been extremely blessed because I've had the joy of playing with the most incredible people. To get up on stage with Humble Pie, when they reformed with Peter Frampton, was incredible and I guess the Paul Rodgers thing was another recent highlight."

Deborah has other memories of Wolverhampton – and not all of them musical. Like so many Midlands rock stars, she's a fan of Wolverhampton Wanderers and has enjoyed seeing them play. "It's the home

Singing with Robert Plant, given our family's history, was a massive moment

ground of Wolverhampton Wanderers and I've got to say I'm a fan. I went to the Wolves on one occasion to see them play Liverpool. We thrashed them. We stopped off at those Bathams pubs on the way for a drink. Everybody thought we'd get thrashed but I think we must have put five passed them that day."

She's grateful for the way her life turned out and says she owes much of her success to growing up with John and the rest of her family in a musical household.

"I guess my mom and dad were very musical. My mom always sang a little, not seriously but, she loved good music. They were fans of the big bands like Count Basie. That was pretty much John's focus too. My dad loved all the black soul divas like Lena Horne and Mahalia Jackson. He would play a lot of that music. I grew up listening to that. Both my brothers, John and Michael, got into the Motown stuff, as well as the rock. It was a real eclectic house. I was listening to Jimi Hendrix and Joplin and all of that, CSN and Fleetwood Mac, but I was also steeped in the British movement and The Kinks. Then Zeppelin took off and everything changed."

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Parquet Courts – album and tour



Holding Courts on matters of the heart

New York art rockers Parquet Courts follow their latest album Human Performance with a UK visit including a gig at Birmingham's O2 Institute next Thursday, August 31.

The band, who have a sound akin to Beck, Talking Heads and Franz Ferdinand, have released fifth album Human Performance, their second via Rough Trade.

Whereas other Parquet Courts albums were recorded in days or weeks, for Human Performance the band took an entire year and it's the first LP that finds all four band members contributing songs.

The album brings sonic experimentation and melodic introspection to matters of the heart, matters of humanity, of identity. "I told you I loved you, did I even deserve it when you returned it?" singer/guitarist

Andrew Savage wonders on the title track. It's also their most pop-oriented collection yet, coming only months after the release of the largely instrumental Monastic Living EP, that was made at the same time.

Across six years, four full-length albums, and two EPs, Parquet Courts have littered their lyrics with question marks. If previous album 2014's Content Nausea – with Savage and Austin Brown recording as Parkay Quarts – looked at anxiety in the age of big data, then on Human Performance the question marks get turned on themselves.

"There is a lot of darkness, and general anguish being worked out on this record," Brown adds. "But it ends kind of peacefully, kind of accepting that you can't do much about it."

Cole gets a kick out of comedy venture

Comedy fans will be able to get their kicks at Walsall Football Club in a forthcoming feast of laughter.

The Just For Kicks show, to be staged at the Banks's Stadium on October 27, is the mastermind of Wednesbury-born comic Jonny Cole, pictured. It will feature TV comics Joe Lycett, from Birmingham, and Phoenix Nights' Archie Kelly alongside Dudley's Wayne Beesee.

Cole is the driving force and he hopes to make it a regular feature. The former diesel salesman has



emerged as an unstoppable musical-comedy force since his reworkings of well-known tunes have proved popular with audiences all over Britain. He was a headline act on the UK tour of A Black Country Night Out and has been a regular on local radio shows. He has even had a local beer named Fat Face in his honour by Stourbridge-based Sadler's Brewery.

Cole said: "I'm really excited about this venture and hopefully it will become an on-going thing. The football club are right behind me and have given me the freedom to deliver a great night to remember. Even my family want to come to this

one. Both Joe Lycett and Archie Kelly are big names on TV and it will be great for people to get to see them on the same bill in such a fantastic venue."

Lycett is currently working on new material for a national tour next year and has appeared on TV shows including Live At The Apollo, Taskmaster and Sunday Brunch.

Early bird tickets at £14 are available from Walsall Football Club on 01922 651416 or eicketing.co.uk/walsallfc.

For further information contact Jonny Cole on 07376 248521 or Wayne Thomas on 07551 170675.

Bold as brass at the Grand Theatre

Musicians and actors were in the wings last night (Wednesday) poised to deliver the first in-house production Wolverhampton

Grand Theatre for 40 years. Brassed Off sees director Gareth

Tudor Price working with professional and local amateur actors and musicians on the story of a pit band going for glory in a national brass band competition. Hi-de-Hi! star Jeffrey Holland, pictured, plays ex-miner and conductor, Danny. The play runs to September 2.



Get into the swing with vintage sounds

Fans of big band swing and jive dancing can get vintage kicks at Symphony Hall Birmingham this bank holiday Sunday when the prestigious concert hall is turned into a 1930s style ballroom.

Retro sounds will be heard when the Jim Wynn Swing Orchestra get their joint jumping with arrangements from such as Duke Ellington and Benny Goodman. The Swing Era will perform high-energy Lindy Hop routines after, earlier in the day, offering swing dance lessons at the venue's Ever-After Vintage Tea Dance. The event will also feature the Sugarfoot Stomp DJ's. Tickets for the evening concert cost £22.50 to £27.50 and admission to the 11am and 2pm tea dance sessions are £12.50 to £18. No partners required but vintage dress encouraged. See thsh.co.uk or call 0121 780 3333.

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CHOICE**Festival Tales: Edinburgh at 70**

BBC2, 9pm
Jack Whitehall traces the history of the Edinburgh Festival, as the annual event reaches its 70th anniversary. First conceived in 1947 as part of the 'healing process' for a Britain emerging from the misery and austerity of the Second World War, the Festival was considered a bastion of idealism, and the Fringe was brought into existence in the same year, bringing with it a form of creative anarchy. Jack reflects on the many groundbreaking encounters between artists, musicians, writers and performers that the Edinburgh Festival has facilitated over the years, and examines the role it has played in revolutionising art and culture both in the UK and abroad.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast, 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live, 11.30 Nadiya's British Food Adventure, (R) 12.00 Football Focus.
1.00 BBC News: Weather, 1.15 Diamond League Athletics: Zurich Highlights, 2.00 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League Final, Wigan Warriors v Hull FC (Kick-off 3.00pm), 5.30 Flog It! (R)
6.30 BBC News.
6.40 Regional Programme.
6.45 Len Goodman's Partners in Rhyme. Nina Wadia, Gareth Malone, Vicki Stone and Ore Oduba help a pair of would-be poets battle through four rounds of rhyme-based challenges.
7.20 Pointless Celebrities. Lizzie Webb, Chris Steele, Robin Cousins, Rosemary Conley, Iwan Thomas, Katherine Merry, Dr Dawn Harper and Dr Pixie McKenna compete in a "health and fitness" edition of the quiz. (R)
8.05 Who Dares Wins. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which two pairs of complete strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject. Last in the series.
8.45 Casualty. Part two of two. The team of Holby medics continue their efforts to help migrant refugees in need of medical attention on the French coast. However, Dylan is fast becoming frustrated with how little he can offer the camp, and makes a decision he may come to regret. Meanwhile, back in the UK, Jez faces the repercussions of crossing paths with the Ellisons, as an improvised explosive is thrown through the window of his home, placing both Robyn and baby Charlotte in jeopardy.
9.35 Mrs Brown's Boys. Dermot's pre-marriage nerves get the better of him, so he locks himself away in a cupboard. Rory's secret is revealed to his mother. (R)
10.05 BBC News: Weather, National Lottery Update
10.25 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Manchester United v Leicester City and Bournemouth v Manchester City.
11.55 People Just Do Nothing.
12.25 Film: In the Electric Mist. (2009)
2.15 Weather for the Week Ahead. 2.20 BBC News.

BBC2

6.20 Coast, (R) 7.20 Film: The Man in the White Suit. (1951) 8.45 Film: The Magnificent Ambersons. (1942) 10.10 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 10.55 Natural World: Beavers Behaving Badly. (R) 11.55 Film: Bedevils and Broomsticks. (1971) 1.50 Wanted Down Under. (R) 2.20 Mastiff Mind. (R) 2.50 Only Connect. (R) 3.20 Gardeners' World. (R) 4.20 Final Score. (R) 5.50 The Big Family Cooking Showdown. Culinary competition, hosted by Zoe Ball and Nadiya Hussain. (R)
6.50 Proms Extra. Katie Derham Soweto Kinch and John Butt review Bach's St John's Passion from Prom 49, and the Charles Mingus Prom, featuring Kandace Springs, Shabaka Hutchings and Christian Scott.
7.30 Nina Conti's Edinburgh Festival. The comedian and ventriloquist showcases some highlights of the festival, chatting to Irvine Welsh about his show Performers and meeting poet and musician Benjamin Clementine.
8.00 Iolo's Great Welsh Parks. Nature expert Iolo Williams visits Padarn Country Park near Llanberis in Snowdonia, hoping to see the likes of ring ouzel, wood warblers and pied flycatchers.
8.30 Dad's Army. Walker is caught smuggling Italian POWs out of camp at night, but far from being a traitor, he is furthering the war effort – and making some money on the side. (R)
9.00 Festival Tales: Edinburgh at 70. Jack Whitehall reflects on the history of the Edinburgh Festival, and the role it has played in revolutionising art and culture on an international scale.
10.00 Performance Live: Get a Round. A trio of friends hell-bent on having a good time, wonder whether a big night out can save the world. Theatrical comedy, starring Sara Cocker, Lowri Evans and Leonie Higgins.
10.40 Film: The Help. (2011) An aspiring journalist in 1960s Mississippi creates controversy by giving black servants the chance to tell their stories. Drama, starring Emma Stone and Viola Davis.
1.00 Film: The German Doctor. (2013) Fact-based drama, starring Alex Brendemuhl. 2.25 This is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids, 6.10 Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids, (R) 6.20 Sooty, (R) 6.30 Signed Stories: Share a Story, (R) 6.35 Dino Dan: Treks Adventures, (R) 6.45 Dino Dan: Oddbods, (R) 7.05 Oddbods, (R) 7.15 Super 4, (R) 7.25 Mr Bean: The Animated Series, (R) 7.40 Mr Bean: The Animated Series, (R) 8.00 Mr Bean: The Animated Series, (R) 8.25 ITV News, 8.30 Weekend, 9.25 ITV Racing: The Opening Show, 10.20 Gok's Lunchbox, (R) 11.15 1000 Heartbeats, (R) 12.15 ITV News, Weather, 12.25 The Chase, (R) 1.30 ITV Racing Live: York Ebor Festival. The fourth and final day of the festival, 3.55 Tipping Point, (R) 4.55 Little Big Shots USA, 5.50 Regional Programme, Weather, 6.00 ITV News, Weather.
6.15 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill narrates a comical selection of mishaps filmed by viewers, featuring everything from giddy grandmas, cute kids and crazy animals to below-the-belt mishaps, practical jokers and painful-looking accidents. (R)
7.15 Catchphrase. Amanda Tullan, Manish Mehta and Charlotte Myers set out to prove they can "see it and say it" as Stephen Mulhern challenges them to guess the familiar phrases hidden in animated clues. After the first elimination, the two remaining players battle to reach the Super Catchphrase round, where one of them could win £50,000. (R)
8.00 Les Dawson Forever. Martin Clunes narrates a profile of the comedian, in which his daughter Charlotte Dawson examines the roots of her father's rise to fame. Roy Barraclough reveals how he and Dawson created some of their most famous comic creations, while Rick Wakeman reveals the secrets behind the comedian's trademark routines of deliberately off-key piano playing.
10.00 ITV News, Weather.
10.15 Film: Captain Phillips. (2013) The captain of a cargo ship travelling around the coast of Somalia is taken hostage when pirates raid the vessel. Fact-based thriller, starring Tom Hanks and Barkhad Abdi.
12.45 Jackpot247, 3.00 The Hungry Sailors, (R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Mobil 1 The Grid, 6.30 Motor Sport: Caterham, 7.00 Motor Sport: British Rally Championship, 7.25 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.50 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 8.20 Frasier, (R) 8.50 Frasier, (R) 9.20 Frasier, (R) 9.55 Formula 1 Belgian Grand Prix Practice 3 Live, Lee McKenzie presents coverage from Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps, 11.25 F1 Meets David Coulthard, 11.55 Formula 1 Belgian Grand Prix Qualifying Live, Coverage of the qualifying session at Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps (Start-time 1.00pm), 2.30 World's Most Expensive Cars, 3.35 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun, (R) 4.35 Big House, Little House, 5.35 Kirstie and Phil's Love It or List It, (R)
6.30 Channel 4 News.
6.55 Film: Ender's Game. (2013) In the future, the human race has survived conflict with an alien race, but the prospect of war breaking out again is a constant threat. A gifted boy is selected as a potential military commander for the coming conflict, and subjected to a gruelling training program to prove his worth. Sci-fi adventure based on Orson Scott Card's novel, starring Asa Butterfield, Harrison Ford and Ben Kingsley. Edited for violence.
9.00 Film: Dumb and Dumber To. (2014) Premiere. Dim-witted friends Harry and Lloyd are reunited after 20 years. When Harry discovers he has a daughter he never knew about, he breaks his friend out of a psychiatric hospital and they go on a road trip with the intention of fulfilling parental responsibilities neither of them is capable of. Comedy sequel, starring Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels.
11.10 Film: Ted. (2012) A boy's magical living teddy remains his friend into adulthood, creating tension with his girlfriend. Comedy, starring Mark Wahlberg, with the voice of Seth MacFarlane.
1.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA, Gordon Ramsay revisits three restaurants he fried to save. (R) 2.00 Hollyoaks. Omnibus. Darren plans to take Shane down. Mandy panics over a letter from social services and Brody sabotages Scott's plans. 4.10 Location, Location, Location. Phil Spencer heads to Nottinghamshire to help find a home for a couple who have spent most of their relationship living with their parents. (R)

CHANNEL 5

**6.00 Milkshake, 10.10 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, (R) 10.35 Animals Make You Laugh Out Loud, (R) 11.00 Police Interceptors, (R) 12.00 Police Interceptors: Rookies and Raids, (R) 1.00 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun, (R) 2.00 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun, (R) 3.00 Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords, (R) 4.00 Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords, (R) 5.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away, (R)
6.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. The enforcement agents try to mediate a dispute in a takeaway, and deal with rent evaders living in potentially deadly conditions. Plus, a businessman faces financial ruin. (R)
7.00 Cricket on 5, England v West Indies. Highlights of the second day of the Second Test in the three-match series, which takes place at Headingley. With commentary and analysis from Mark Nicholas, Michael Vaughan, Geoffrey Boycott and Simon Hughes.
8.00 Supernatural Nazis. New series. The role of occultism in Nazi Germany, revealing how religion and the supernatural were used in Hitler's pursuit of power. The first programme examines how the Nazis corrupted the teachings of Christianity to influence people to see Hitler as a messiah figure, and examines accusations that the Pope did too little to oppose them.
8.55 5 News Weekender.
9.00 Football on 5: The Championship. Colin Murray presents highlights from the latest games in the Championship, which included Bristol City v Aston Villa at Ashton Gate, Nottingham Forest v Leeds United at The City Ground, and Middlesbrough v Preston North End at Riverside Stadium.
10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush. Goals from the weekend's games in Leagues One and Two, which included Rochdale v Bury, Wigan Athletic v Portsmouth, Mansfield Town v Luton Town, and Yeovil Town v Coventry City.
10.30 Britain's Favourite Abba Songs. A countdown of the Swedish pop group's 20 most popular songs, with celebrity fans including Jane McDonald and Liz McClarnon introducing their favourite clips. (R)
12.00 Access, 12.10 SuperCasino, 3.10 Delete, 4.30 Access, (R) 4.40 Great Scientists, (R) 5.10 Nick's Quest, (R) Close**

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BBC Four
7.00 The Brain with David Eagleman 8.00 Fossil Wonders: Nature's Hidden Treasures 9.00 Inspector Montalbano 10.45 Top of the Pops: 1984 11.15 Billy Fury: The Sound of Fury 12.45 Britain's Most Fragile Treasure 1.45 The World's Most Exploited Stolen Paintings 2.45 Fossil Wonders: Nature's Hidden Treasures 3.45 Close
ITV2
12.35 Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule 1.05 You've Been Framed and Famous! 2.10 Film: Honey. (2003) 3.10 FYI Daily 3.15 Film: Honey. (2003) 4.05 Film: Looney Tunes: Back in Action (2003) 5.05 FYI Daily 5.10 Film: Looney Tunes: Back in Action (2003) 5.55 Film: Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (2010) 6.55 FYI Daily 9.05 Film: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift (2006) 9.00 FYI Daily 10.10 Family Guy 12.05 American Dad! 1.05 The Keith Lemon Sketch Show 2.05 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Bonkingly Big Hits 2.50 Teleshopping 5.55 ITV2 Nightscreen
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SUNDAY'S TV AUGUST 27

CHOICE



Tom Burke (left)

Strike - The Cuckoo's Calling (BBC1, 9.05pm)

New series. Supermodel Lula Landry falls to her death from a Mayfair balcony and the police conclude that she committed suicide, but Lula's adoptive brother John Bristow believes she was murdered and that key evidence has been overlooked. He calls upon private investigator Cormoran Strike to examine the death further and the penniless and effectively homeless PI takes the case. Crime thriller based on books written by JK Rowling under the pseudonym Robert Galbraith, starring Tom Burke and Holliday Grainger. The second episode will be shown tomorrow.

BBC1

- 6.00 Breakfast. **7.35 Match of the Day.** (R) 9.00 BBC News. **10.00 Sunday Morning Live.** 11.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 12.00 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.15 **Fake or Fortune?** (R) 2.15 Money for Nothing. (R) 3.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 4.00 Songs of Praise. **4.35 Film:** Toy Story 2. (1999) Animated sequel, with the voice of Tom Hanks.
- 6.05 **BBC News.**
- 6.20 **Regional Programme.**
- 6.30 **Countryfile.** Ellie Harrison and Steve Brown present the show from the Llyn Peninsula on Wales' North west coast. Ellie explores the seagrass habitat and joins a marine conservation project studying the region's fish, while Steve meets dairy farmers who deliver their milk door to door and invents a new flavour of ice cream.
- 7.30 **Diana, 7 Days.** Documentary exploring the week following Princess Diana's death, with first-hand accounts from those who found themselves at the centre of the ensuing events, including then prime minister Tony Blair, members of the royal household, and family members including Princes William and Harry.
- 9.05 **Strike - The Cuckoo's Calling.** New series. Private detective Cormoran Strike is called in to investigate the apparent suicide of a supermodel. Crime thriller based on books by JK Rowling, starring Tom Burke. The second episode will be shown tomorrow.
- 10.05 **BBC News.**
- 10.25 **Regional Programme.**
- 10.35 **Match of the Day 2.** Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League action, featuring Liverpool v Arsenal at Anfield, Chelsea v Everton at Stamford Bridge, Tottenham Hotspur v Burnley at White Hart Lane and West Bromwich Albion v Stoke City at the Hawthorns. The fixture at Anfield was an early chance for the Reds and Gunners to test themselves against another of the leading contenders, while Chelsea continued their title defence against the much-changed Toffees.
- 11.45 **Live at the Apollo.** Leading performers on the stand-up circuit share their light-hearted views on modern life. (R)
- 12.30 **Weather for the Week Ahead.**
- 12.35 **BBC News.**

BBC2

- 6.15 **The Instant Gardener.** (R) 7.00 Garden Rescue. (R) 7.45 **Gardeners' World.** (R) 8.45 The Beechgrove Garden. 9.15 Countryfile. (R) 10.15 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.45 Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food. (R) 12.15 MOTD Extra. **1.00 Coast.** (R) 1.45 Triathlon World Series: Stockholm. 3.30 Equestrian: European Championships.
- 6.00 **Tribes, Predators & Me.** Gordon Buchanan joins a group of Bushmen in Botswana's Kalahari Desert to learn their ancient secrets for surviving on foot among wild lions. They teach him how to make fire, find honey, and gather water from desert plants, and the filmmaker watches as they hunt with poisoned arrows and track predatory lions. (R)
- 7.00 **Gordon Buchanan: Elephant Family & Me.** The first of two programmes in which Gordon Buchanan encounters a family of African elephants in the wilds of Kenya, and attempts to gain their trust so he can observe them up close in their natural habitat. He enlists the aid of an expert from the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust to learn about their behaviour as he follows an elephant with a new calf, and discovers what it takes for the youngest of the world's largest land animals to survive in the face of a challenging environment. (R)
- 8.00 **Dragons' Den.** The panel cast an eye over plans for furniture made from old aeroplane parts, organic dog treats, healthy snacks and a company that buys and sells books. Presented by Evan Davis.
- 9.00 **Astronauts: Do You Have What It Takes?** The candidates are put through more demanding tests as they are pushed to their limits in a simulated emergency splashdown.
- 10.00 **III Behaviour.** Charlie is assumed to have committed suicide. Joel decides to visit Kira so he can comfort her, and finds himself enjoying talking over his friend's role in the family.
- 11.00 **Film: The Ides of March.** (2011) A presidential campaign worker must decide where his loyalties lie as dark secrets come to light. Drama, directed by and starring George Clooney.
- 12.35 **Film: Echoes from the Dead.** (2013) 2.10 **Sign Zone: Countryfile.** (R) 3.05 **Holby City.** (R) 4.05 This Is BBC Two.

ITV

- 6.00 **CITV: Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids.** 6.10 **Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids.** (R) 6.20 **Sooty.** (R) 6.30 **Signed Stories: Share a Story.** (R) 6.35 **Dino Dan: Treks Adventures.** (R) 6.50 **Dino Dan: Oddbods.** (R) 7.05 **Oddbods.** (R) 7.15 **Super 4.** (R) 7.30 **Ninjago: Rebooted.** (R) 8.00 **Thunderbirds Are Go.** (R) 8.25 **ITV News.** 8.30 **Weekend.** 9.25 **Film:** K-9. (1989) 11.15 **Love Your Garden.** (R) 12.15 **ITV News: Weather.** 12.25 **James Martin's French Adventure.** (R) 12.55 **Joanna Lumley's Postcards.** (R) 1.25 **Catchphrase.** (R) 2.10 **Long Lost Family.** (R) 3.10 **Bear Grylls Survival School.** (R) 3.40 **Film:** Superman. (1978) Comic-strip adventure, starring Christopher Reeve.
- 6.30 **Regional Programme; Weather.**
- 6.40 **ITV News: Weather.**
- 7.00 **Possibly the Best Adverts in the World.** Hugh Dennis narrates a two-hour special in which celebrities select their favourite commercials from TV and the internet in a range of categories. Bill Bailey chooses adverts for food, Fay Ripley introduces health and beauty, Angus Deayton focuses on cars, Chris Ramsey looks at sweets, Joe Lycett tackles toys, and Chris Kamara looks back at cigarettes and alcohol.
- 9.05 **Victoria.** New series. The second series of the drama about the early years of Queen Victoria's reign begins after the birth of her first child. She resumes her royal duties sooner than expected, and quickly becomes convinced that her husband and the prime minister are concealing troubling news about the conflict in Afghanistan, and turns to the Duke of Wellington for answers. Victoria also faces problems at home, as Albert's family descend on the palace for the christening, and continue to make plans for the future of the monarchy.
- 10.10 **ITV News: Weather.**
- 10.20 **Judge Rinder's Crime Stories.** Barrister Robert Rinder reveals how the parents of a teenager killed by a speeding car campaigned for a change in the law that had allowed the driver to escape justice. (R)
- 11.20 **5 Gold Rings.** Game show, hosted by Phillip Schofield. (R)
- 12.15 **Jackpot247.** 3.00 **Motorsport UK.** 3.50 **British Superbike Championship Highlights.** 4.40 **ITV Nightscreen.**

CHANNEL 4

- 6.00 **Para Triathlon: Superhero Tri.** 7.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond.** (R) 7.25 **Milkshake! Monkey.** (R) 7.45 **Milkshake!** Bopping About. (R) 7.45 **Simon.** (R) 7.55 **Peppa Pig.** (R) 7.55 **Wisper.** (R) 7.55 **Bob the Builder.** (R) 7.55 **Fireman Sam.** (R) 7.25 **Oily the Little White Van.** (R) 7.30 **Paw Patrol.** (R) 7.50 **Blaze and the Monster Machines.** (R) 8.15 **Noddy: Toyland Detective.** (R) 8.35 **Froggals.** (R) 8.50 **Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.** (R) 9.00 **Shimmer and Shine.** (R) 9.15 **Digby Dragon.** (R) 9.35 **Peppa Pig.** (R) 9.45 **Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.** (R) 9.55 **Wanda and the Alien.** (R) 10.10 **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.** (R) 10.40 **Football on 5: The Championship.** (R) 11.30 **Toddlers Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 1.00 **Puppies Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 2.00 **Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 3.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R) 4.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R) 5.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R)
- 7.00 **Amazing Spaces Shed of the Year.** George Clarke presents the Pubs and Entertainment and Unexpected categories. Unusual structures featured include a hedgehog rescue centre, a West Country whisky den, a recreation of the Fardis from Doctor Who, and the UK's smallest cathedral.
- 8.00 **From Russia to Iran: Crossing the Wild Frontier.** Levison Wood travels into the badlands of Dagestan, an area the foreign office warns against visiting. He experiences the hospitality of the local warrior clans and takes a journey on horseback to the ancient city of Derbent – with an armed guide to fend off wolves and bears. He then moves on to Azerbaijan, a country where extreme wealth exists alongside subsistence poverty.
- 9.00 **Film: Taken 3.** (2014) Premiere. Ex-CIA agent Bryan Mills' efforts to finally live a quiet life are shattered by the death of his ex-wife. Just when things seemingly can't get any worse, he is framed for her murder and must fight to clear his name. Action thriller sequel, starring Liam Neeson.
- 11.15 **Film: The Wolf of Wall Street.** (2013) A New York stockbroker rises from unemployment to become one of the richest men in the city's financial elite through an illegal scheme to defraud investors. His wealth brings him an outrageously debauched lifestyle, but comes at a price as the FBI become suspicious of his manipulation of the markets. Fact-based drama, starring Leonardo DiCaprio.
- 2.30 **Speed with Guy Martin.** Guy tries to cross the English Channel on a flying bicycle. (R) 3.55 **Gillette World Sport.** 4.25 **KOTV Boxing Weekly.** 4.50 **Mobil 1 The Grid.** (R)

CHANNEL 5

- 6.00 **Milkshake!** Poppy Cat. 6.10 **Little Princess.** (R) 6.25 **Mr Men.** 6.35 **Milkshake! Monkey.** (R) 6.45 **Milkshake!** Bopping About. (R) 6.45 **Simon.** (R) 7.55 **Peppa Pig.** (R) 7.55 **Wisper.** (R) 7.55 **Bob the Builder.** (R) 7.55 **Fireman Sam.** (R) 7.25 **Oily the Little White Van.** (R) 7.30 **Paw Patrol.** (R) 7.50 **Blaze and the Monster Machines.** (R) 8.15 **Noddy: Toyland Detective.** (R) 8.35 **Froggals.** (R) 8.50 **Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.** (R) 9.00 **Shimmer and Shine.** (R) 9.15 **Digby Dragon.** (R) 9.35 **Peppa Pig.** (R) 9.45 **Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.** (R) 9.55 **Wanda and the Alien.** (R) 10.10 **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.** (R) 10.40 **Football on 5: Goal Rush.** (R) 12.00 **Toddler Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 1.00 **Puppies Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 2.00 **Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud.** (R) 3.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R) 4.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R) 5.00 **All New Traffic Cops.** (R)
- 7.00 **Cricket on 5.** England v West Indies.
- 8.00 **Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away.** Agents Stewart and Iain lead to Manchester, where a landlord is owed £8,000 in rent arrears and has already called for police backup. Meanwhile, Brian and Del chase £3,000. (R)
- 8.55 **5 News Weekend.**
- 9.00 **Funny Women: The Mel & Sue Story.** Profile of entertainers Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins, who have become famed for their irreverent, raised-eyebrow humour and cheeky innuendo. Both having moved from south London, Mel and Sue met at Cambridge and like so many others, honed their self-effacing double act on the stages of Edinburgh before breaking into TV fronting the Channel 4's daytime chat show *Light Lunch*. While at one point Mel came close to bankruptcy, the duo's luck was in, when, in 2010, they were asked to host an unlikely sounding new show called *The Great British Bake Off*. Its enormous – though unexpected – success established them as top-of-the-game presenting talent.
- 10.30 **Sue Perkins' Comedy Greats: The Entertainers.**
- 12.20 **Named and Shamed: Greatest Celebrity Scandals.** (R) 1.10 **SuperCasino.** 3.10 **Delete.**

DIGITAL

- BBC Four**
- 7.00 **BBC Proms 2017: Chopin Preludes.** 9.00 **Gluck: What Did She Think He Was?** 10.00 **Metal at the BBC.** 10.30 **Muse @ Reading Festival 2017.** 12.00 **Queen: From Rags to Rhapsody.** 1.00 **Jeff Lynne's ELO in Concert.** 2.00 **Metal at the BBC.** 2.30 **Gluck: Who Did She Think He Was?** 3.30 **Close.**
- ITV2**
- 12.00 **Ninja Warrior UK.** 1.00 **Mr Bean.** 2.05 **You've Been Framed!** Gold 2.40 **Totally You've Been Framed!** Gold 3.40 **Film: Around the World in 80 Days.** (2004) 4.40 **FYI Daily.** 4.45 **FYI Film: Around the World in 80 Days.** (2004) 6.00 **Film: Despicible Me (2010).** 7.00 **FYI Daily.** 7.05 **Film: Despicable Me (2010).** 7.55 **Film: Pacific Rim (2013).** 8.55 **FYI Daily.** 9.00 **Film: Pacific Rim (2013).** 10.30 **Family Guy.** 12.30 **American Dad!** 1.25 **The Cleveland Show.** 2.15 **Teleshopping.** 5.45 **ITV2 Nightscreen.**
- ITV3**
- 11.25 **Film: Carry On Girls (1973).** 12.30 **FYI Daily.** 12.35 **Film: Carry On Girls (1973).** 1.15 **Foyles War 3.** 1.15 **Royal Stories.** 3.50 **Rosemary & Thyme.** 4.55 **Film: The Young Victoria (2009).** 5.55 **FYI Daily.** 6.10 **Film: The Young Victoria (2009).** 7.00 **Lewis 9.00 Sunday Night at the Palladium.** 10.00 **Law & Order: UK.** 12.05 **Film: The English Patient (1996).** 1.05 **FYI Daily.** 1.10 **Film: The English Patient (1996).** 2.55 **Wycliffe.** 3.50 **The Darling Buds of May.** 4.45 **Rising Damp.** 5.10 **On the Buses.** 5.35 **ITV3 Nightscreen.**
- ITV4**
- 5.45 **British Touring Cars – Crashes and Smashes.** 6.00 **Storage Wars 7.00.** Cycling: *Vuelta a Espana* 8.00 **World Series of Darts.** Perth 12.00 **Film: Clear and Present Danger.** (1994) 1.00 **FYI Daily.** 1.05 **Film: Clear and Present Danger.** (1994) 2.45 **ITV4 Nightscreen.** 3.00 **Teleshopping.**
- E4**
- 11.00 **Made in Chelsea.** Ibiza 12.00 **Don't Tell the Bride.** 1.00 **Streetmate.** 2.05 **Film: Muppet Treasure Island (1996).** 4.05 **The Goldbergs.** 5.00 **The Big Bang Theory.** 9.00 **Film: Predators.** (2010) 11.05 **Tattoo Fixers on Holiday.** 12.10 **Don't Tell the Bride.** 1.15 **Body Fixers.** 2.20 **Gogglebox.** 3.15 **Rude Tube.**
- Film4**
- 11.00 **Spy Kids 4: All the Time in the World.** (2011) 1.00 **Ever After: A Cinderella Story.** (1998) 3.25 **Mrs Doubtfire.** (1993) 5.50 **Avatar (2009).** 9.00 **The World's End.** (2013) 11.10 **An American Werewolf in London (1981).** 1.05 **The Warriors (1979).** 3.00 **Close.**

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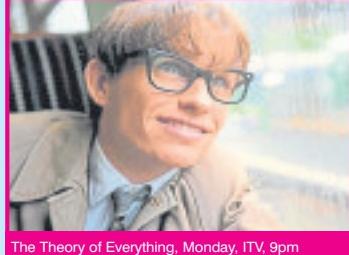
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MONDAY**The Theory of Everything, ITV, 9pm**

Biopic of Stephen Hawking, exploring the renowned astrophysicist's romance with future wife Jane during their time at university in the 1960s and his initial diagnosis with motor neurone disease, which doctors believed would lead to his death within two years. Undeterred by deteriorating health, he continued his groundbreaking research into the origins of the universe. Starring an Oscar-winning Eddie Redmayne, with Felicity Jones and David Thewlis. (2014)

TUESDAY**Bedtime Stories, BBC2, 2pm**

A downtrodden handyman is forced to look after his niece and nephew. He soon wins them over with his knack for telling exciting stories, but to their surprise the tall tales start coming true – and as the children make their own suggestions, the results become even more incredible. Fantasy comedy, starring Adam Sandler, Keri Russell and Russell Brand. (2008)

**The Theory of Everything, Monday, ITV, 9pm****WEDNESDAY****The Muppets, BBC2, 1.45pm**

Three fans of the famous puppet variety show discover a powerful businessman is going to knock down the Muppet theatre and drill for oil on the site. They track down frontman Kermit the frog and persuade him to reunite his co-stars, so they can put on one last performance to save the venue. Comedy, starring Jason Segel. (2011)

THURSDAY**Badge of Betrayal, Channel 5, 3.15pm**

A woman discovers her supposedly dead son is still alive, his demise having been faked by her ex-husband as part of an elaborate plot to destroy her life. However, finding the evidence to prove her story turns out to be a difficult challenge. Thriller, starring Julie Benz and Samantha Ferris. (2014)

FRIDAY**The Box, BBC1, 12.10am**

A couple receive a box that will make them rich at the press of a button – but if they do so, someone will die. Sci-fi thriller, with Cameron Diaz and James Marsden. (2009)

Margaret reveals all about her life in the spotlight

American drama *The Handmaid's Tale* made its UK television debut on Channel 4 in May and became one of the biggest successes of the year, receiving 13 Emmy nominations before being renewed for a second season set to air in 2018.

Based on the 1985 book of the same name, the show imagines a future in which nuclear war has left a large percentage of the human population infertile and young women are forced to sleep with powerful men called Leaders and bear their children.

The young women – known as Handmaids – are assigned to the men and are essentially raped, in warped rituals involving the Leaders' wives, in a bid to fall pregnant and continue the human race.

The story is told through the eyes of a Handmaid called Offred (played by Elisabeth Moss) and switches between the present horror she is living in and the past, as the world starts to tumble into the chaos and disorder that has led

to a totalitarian regime.

Perhaps one of the reasons the dark drama has been so successful is that many feel the subject matter is incredibly prescient given the Donald Trump administration, the feminism movement and the instability of the world.

Indeed, the book's author, Canadian Margaret Atwood has claimed that the 2016 US Presidential Election led to an increase in sales of *The Handmaid's Tale* even before the success of the aforementioned TV adaptation.

Atwood's star is now shining brighter than ever, but her success is not only drawn to this one novel – for decades she has been universally acclaimed as Canada's greatest living writer.

She is a winner of the Arthur C Clarke Award and Prince of Asturias Award for Literature, and has been shortlisted for the Booker Prize five times, winning once for her historical novel *The Blind Assassin*. In 2001, she was inducted into

Canada's Walk of Fame and is also a founder of the Writers' Trust of Canada, a non-profit literary organisation that seeks to encourage Canada's writing community.

Atwood is also an inventor, and has developed the LongPen that facilitates the remote robotic writing of documents.

While she is best known for her work as a novelist, she has also published 15 books of poetry, with many of her pieces inspired by myths and fairytales, which have been interests of hers from an early age.

And her upbringing is one of the key topics up for discussion when the writer and activist meets up with Alan Yentob in Toronto for tonight's *Imagine*.

Atwood explains how a childhood spent between the wilderness of northern Quebec and the city helped shape her vision of herself and the world, set alight her imagination and set her forth on a path to literary success.

MONDAY**Jamie's Quick & Easy Food****Channel 4, 8pm**

There's a common consensus that we are now more time-challenged than ever before. Gone are the days when we can invest time in making big meals for our family and friends – instead we want food that is quick and easy to make, as well as tasty and healthy. According to Jamie Oliver: 'Sometimes the simplest things are the best' and in this series he is using just five ingredients to create a selection of delicious stress-free recipes. On the menu tonight are sesame seared tuna, a messy meatball bun and chocolate rye cookies. Then, to round things off, Jamie prepares the comforting classic, chicken pot pie, and shares his quick-and-easy tips on how to make the perfect crispy crust.

TUESDAY**The Great British Bake Off****Channel 4, 8pm**

It's back – but with a new recipe. Mary Berry, Sue Perkins and Mel Giedroyc famously decided not to follow the show when it moved to Channel 4, so now Sandi Toksvig and Noel Fielding are taking over the presenting duties, while Prue Leith steps in as judge. But there's still a tent, Paul Hollywood and, in this first episode, 12 amateur bakers who

are keen to show they are the best in Britain. They are about to be faced with cake week, as they whip up a fruity signature bake, before tackling a children's tea party classic for the technical challenge and then creating a tricky illusion cake for the showstopper. But who will be more nervous – the contestants or Channel 4 as it waits to find out if the viewers have followed the *Bake Off* to its new home?

WEDNESDAY**Love Your Home and Garden****ITV, 8pm**

The most recent run of *Love Your Garden* may have only finished last week, but Alan Titchmarsh is already back with a new series – and this time, he's not just transforming deserving people's backyards, he's also tackling their interiors as well. In the first episode, he travels to Banbury, Oxfordshire, to meet Donna and Lee, and their daughters Claudia, 12, and Leoni, 9. Four years ago, Donna suffered a near-fatal heart attack which left her with severely restricted sight, and her young daughters now act as her carers. Alan discovers

that the family's cramped, cluttered rooms and dark interiors are making it difficult for Donna to move around the house without tripping, so he sets about creating a light-filled space, while also turning the garden from a place currently used for storing rubbish into somewhere the girls can play.

THURSDAY**Gypsy Kids: Our Secret World****Channel 5, 9pm**

They may be young, but the children featured in this documentary series are often experienced beyond their years, thanks to the freedoms and challenges that come with being part of one of the most marginalised communities in Britain. In the first episode of the series, we meet nine-year-old Irish traveller Margaret and her cousins, who are being evicted by bailiffs every seven days – and after they recently pulled their trailers into a school playground, resulting in 900 pupils being told

Educating Greater Manchester, Thursday, Channel 4, 9pm

PICK OF THE WEEK

**Imagine – Margaret Atwood: You Have Been Warned!, Monday, BBC1, 10.30pm**

BEST OF THE REST



Educating Greater Manchester, Thursday, Channel 4, 9pm

to say home, emotions are running high. Meanwhile, nine-year-old Indiana is moving into a chalet on her family's site, which means she will have a bed to herself – and, for the first time, a bathroom inside her home.

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FRIDAY
World Cup Live
ITV, 7.15pm

Malta v England (Kick-off 7.45pm). Mark Pougatch presents coverage of the Group F qualifier from Ta' Qali National Stadium in Attard. Malta have lost every group match so far, but produced a spirited display in last October's reverse fixture at Wembley.

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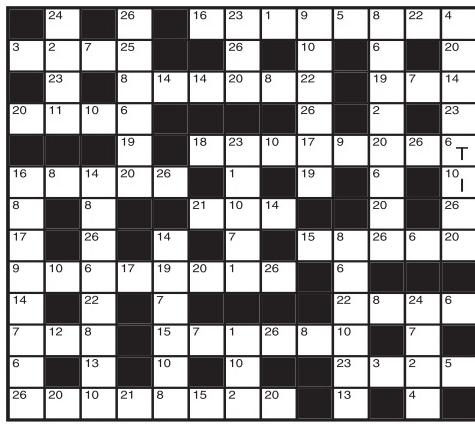


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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	B	H	3	Q	4	J	V	6	S	T	C	K	L	A	Y	M
14	I	D	Z	F	P	G	O	E	R	N	X	W	U			

Quiz

- How is the convolvulus genus of plants also known?
- Which flower is depicted on the Royal British Legion's logo?
- On which part of the body is a lobotomy performed?
- In Greek mythology, from whose blood is the winged horse Pegasus supposed to have sprung?
- Which major London store removed the royal warrants from its shopfront in December 2000?
- What was the capital of the Confederacy in the US Civil War?
- Who was the first Hollywood legend to feature on a US postage stamp?
- In which year was the GLC abolished?
- What is the medical specialty concerned with the study of disease processes called?
- Which late US actor's real surname was Matuschanskayasky?

Double Crossword

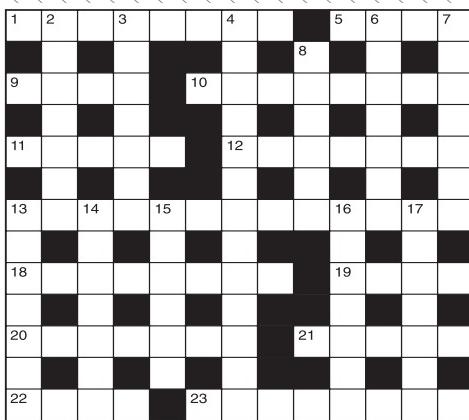
Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues: Across

- One instrument before another in the dance (8)
- This deck looks just the same both ways (4)
- Just one appearing in distant setting (4)
- He seeks perfection for one transaction before it's ruined (8)
- Coming from the chandler's is a long rope (5)
- Framework on which climbers are trained (7)
- Used by one with a view to entertainment (10,3)
- Make a record showing the range of a voice (8)
- Sounds like part of a gun emplacement (4)
- Applaud an application to the insurance company, we hear (7)
- Appears to observe the manuscript (5)
- Waterproof clothes used by painters (4)
- A man of scruples, as far as physics are concerned! (8)
- Carry on (8)
- Great potentate (4)
- Stupefy (4)
- Acute poverty (8)
- Record one visit cut short - that's reasonable (7)
- Long-range spectacles (6)
- An accumulation reposing in the bird sanctuary? (4-3)
- Makes the situation grave (7)

Down

- Like some stonework on a track (7)
- Hurried back with the price to present an account (7)
- Master pleaded for a ship (6,7)
- Nothing strangely rising from these sources (7)
- One with a complaint not complaining! (7)
- What the drummer produces for a military spectacle? (6)
- Road not affected by severe weather (7)
- Record one visit cut short - that's reasonable (7)
- Declaration (13)
- Curb (8)
- Wise (4)
- Sedition (7)
- Bolt (5)
- Appear (4)
- Estrange (8)



Quick Clues: Across

- Open-air (7)
- Stress (7)
- Inadvertent (13)
- Spot (7)
- Esteem (7)
- Hit (6)
- Corsairs (7)
- Indecent (7)
- Attack (6)
- Errand (7)
- Overlook (7)

Down

- Carry on (8)
- Great potentate (4)
- Stupefy (4)
- Acute poverty (8)
- Droll (5)
- Scintillate (7)
- Declaration (13)
- Curb (8)
- Wise (4)
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- Appear (4)
- Estrange (8)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid above so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

1	9	2	3	8	4	5	6	7
4	5	7	2	9	6	1	8	3
3	6	8	7	1	5	2	9	4
9	3	6	8	7	2	4	1	5
8	1	5	4	6	3	9	7	2
2	7	4	9	5	1	6	3	8
6	4	1	5	3	7	8	2	9
5	8	3	6	2	9	7	4	1
7	2	9	1	4	8	3	5	6

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Lilies; 4 Ransom; 9 Gives one's word; 10 Collect; 11 Natal; 12 Skate; 14 Hewed; 18 Okapi; 19 Rosette; 21 Knock-out punch; 22 Nudity; 23 Wagers. Down: 1 Legacy; 2 Live like a lord; 3 Ensue; 5 Absence; 6 Short sentence; 7 Models; 8 Knots; 13 Trinket; 15 Look in; 16 Trout; 17 Meshes; 20 Sepia.
QUICK - Across: 1 Hidden; 4 Intent; 9 Off one's own bat; 10 America; 11 Eerie; 12 Leapt; 14 Delay; 18 Attic; 19 Overseer; 21 Head over heels; 22 Sheath; 23 Crater. Down: 1 Hookah; 2 Differentiate; 3 Ennui; 5 Nowhere; 6 Embarrassment; 7 Dither; 8 Essay; 13 Pick out; 15 Pathos; 16 Bower; 17 Geyser; 20 Ether.

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

959156
2924586
6536874

gives a participant,
gives a casual participant,
gives a second casual participant.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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Enjoy living it up like the A-listers

IT'S not uncommon to go to Los Angeles and bump into an A-lister or four. I once saw Johnny Depp about 15 minutes after I'd ogled his star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

But, when celebrities need a quick escape from the glitz and paparazzi, they hop on a plane to Los Cabos. The Mexican hideaway, on the sun-baked tip of the southern Baja California peninsula, is just two and a half hours from LAX airport. Probably less if you're zooming over via private jet, like the Kardashian clan.

Los Cabos has two major towns connected by 'the Corridor' – San Jose del Cabo (more chilled) and Cabo San Lucas (more lively) – and a whole load of palm-fringed beach in between. Here are seven reasons why celebrities like Jennifer Aniston, George Clooney and Cameron Diaz are such big fans of the destination ...

1. The Thunderbirds-style villas

Cindy Crawford and George Clooney built side-by-side 'Casamigos' Cabo villas, Sylvester Stallone spends his winters in Pedregal, and Jennifer Aniston practically has her own hideaway on a luxury hotel complex. Mainly only visible by boat and nestled in cliffs – just like Thunderbirds' Tracy HQ.

2. The whale watching

You may not even need to go on a boat trip to see the spectacle of grey, blue and humpback whales. From the end of November to March, chances are you'll be lucky enough to spot them from your sunlounger.

3. The super spas

Spas are anything but low-key in Los Cabos. Jennifer Lopez, Jessica Alba and Cameron Diaz are all said to be regulars at Las Ventanas al Paraiso's spa, which resembles a colonial Mexican hacienda.

4. The Mexican cuisine

Nothing quite hits the spot like authentic creamy guacamole, tortillas and tacos.

Sunloungers and sea views at Grand Velas



A surfer on Los Cabos beach at sunset



5. The statement art

Where do the likes of George Clooney and Leonardo DiCaprio go to get one-off works of art? They've been known to browse San Jose Del Cabo's famous gallery district (artcabo.com); a downtown hive of creativity featuring original paintings, photography, sculpture, pottery and glasswork.

6. The Sea of Cortez cruises

You're unlikely to see celebs on guided excursions – although Cabo Adventures do offer an excellent Luxury Day Sailing trip for \$109 per person for four hours (caboadventures.com). A-listers are more likely to charter their squad a super-luxury yacht.

7. The celebrity standards

When your private butler shows you to your room and asks if you'd like the contents of your suitcase unpacked while you hit the beach, you know the resort's got celebrity appeal. That the level of service at the new super-luxury Grand Velas Los Cabos. The 304-room resort opened in late 2016 and Hollywood actress Juliette Lewis was one of the first to check-in. From sunloungers surrounding the triple-tier infinity pool, to serene beach

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Impressive home with permission for extension

An impressive five-bedroomed detached family home with planning permission for an extension to the side, for which foundations are already in place.

With business venue potential, having formerly been used as a nursery, 613 Littleworth Road, Rawnsley, Cannock, is for sale through Lovett & Co at offers in excess of £400,000 with no chain.

The property could be used as a business and after being a nursery it was then separated into two apartments. It has since been structurally altered to transform it into a modern quality executive individual home in immaculate condition and has been totally refurbished by the current owners with stand-out features.

It has spacious living and sleeping accommodation, a high spec open plan kitchen diner, useful study room, a driveway with parking for up to ten vehicles and a good size rear garden ideal for entertaining.

The property has two floors. On the ground floor is a reception hallway, a lounge, a fully fitted kitchen, dining room, guest WC and study. On the top floor are five bedrooms with an en-suite to the master and a family bathroom. Externally the property has block paved drive with parking for ten vehicles and rear garden. The property benefits from UPVC double glazing and central heating through out.

In more detail the reception hall is spacious and a staircase leads to the first floor with built in under stairs storage cupboard. The lounge is spacious. It has wooden style laminate flooring, a feature fireplace with a fitted gas fire set on a raised marble hearth with ornate surround and double opening doors to dining rooms.

The dining room has wooden style laminate flooring and patio doors to the garden and a door to kitchen.

The property is located in the sought after area of Rawnsley, just a few minutes from Cannock Chase, an area of outstanding natural beauty.

RAWNSLEY £400,000



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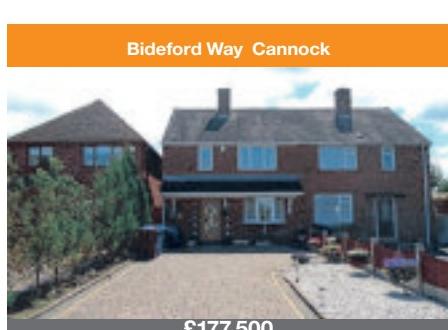
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- Rear Garden • EPC = B

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- Bathroom With Both Bath & Shower Cubicle
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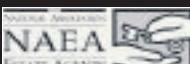
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A three-bedroomed detached family home, 73, Stafford Street, lies in the desirable area of Heath Hayes in Cannock.

It is for sale through DB Roberts & Partners at best offers over £200,000.

Set back from the road for off street parking internally this well presented home comprises an entrance porch, an entrance hallway and an open plan lounge/diner that leads to the conservatory.

HEATH HAYES
£200,000

There is also an extended kitchen breakfast room which gives access into the garage. To the first floor is the three bedrooms and bathroom.

Externally to the rear is the garden with a grassed lawn and laid decking seating area.

An internal viewing is highly

advised so you can fully appreciate all this home has to offer, said a spokesman for the selling agent.

The selling agents are expecting a great deal of interest to be shown in the sale of this property.

For further information, or to book that all important viewing to see if this is the ideal next home for you, contact DB Roberts & Partners on 01543 469966 or visit www.dbroberts.co.uk



Spacious extended home in a popular cul de sac

A spacious extended detached family home in Ullswater Place, Cannock, is for sale through Webbs at £230,000.

It is situated in a popular cul de sac location, being in a very convenient position, close to all local amenities and only a short walk to Cannock Town Centre.

Its accommodation briefly comprises of a through entrance hallway, a guest WC, dining room, lounge diner, study area, a refitted

CANNOCK
£230,000

kitchen, three double bedrooms and stunning spacious family bathroom.

Externally there is a double garage, gardens and a driveway. Internal inspection and early viewing essential.

The selling agents are expecting a great deal of interest to be shown

in the sale of this property. Being spacious and extended this property in Ullswater Place would make an ideal home for a family.

For further information, or to book that all important viewing to see if this is the ideal next home for you, please contact the selling agents, Webbs, at their local branch office on 01543 468846 or visit their website www.webbsestateagents.co.uk to see more images of this property.

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STAFFORD SILKMORE CRESCENT



- A fully refurbished 4 bedroom
- Entrance hallway, guest cloakroom
- Lounge, Refitted kitchen/diner
- Master bedroom with ensuite
- Refitted family bathroom
- Garden to rear
- Driveway and garage
- Awaiting EPC rating

£239,950

GREAT WYRLEY WHARWELL LANE



- An immaculately presented 3 bedroom
- lounge/dining room
- Refitted modern kitchen, conservatory
- Contemporary styled bathroom
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Garage and driveway
- Viewing highly recommended
- EPC rating C

£259,995

HEATH HAYES SALISBURY DRIVE



- A much improved 3 bedroom house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, refitted kitchen/diner
- Conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted modern bathroom
- Front and rear gardens
- Garage
- EPC rating C

£200,000

NORTON CANES HEDNESFORD ROAD



- A three bedroom detached
- Large plot of land
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, dining room
- Kitchen, bathroom
- Three bedrooms
- Land to rear, stables
- Awaiting EPC rating

£199,500

HEATH HAYES HEATH WAY



- A two bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Two bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Gardens front and rear
- Off road parking
- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating C

£124,950

CANNOCK ST AIDANS ROAD



- A two bedroom semi detached house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Two good sized bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Garden to front
- Corner plot
- Enclosed rear garden
- EPC Rating

£127,000

HEATH HAYES FIRECREST CLOSE



- A spacious four bedroom detached
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge and dining room
- Kitchen/diner, guest cloakroom
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Three further bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Garden to rear, driveway
- Garage, awaiting EPC rating

£259,950

NORTON CANES HEDNESFORD ROAD



- A traditional 3 bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Family bathroom
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Open views to front
- Good sized rear garden
- Awaiting EPC rating

£150,000

HEDNESFORD ANGLESEY COURT



- First floor 1 bedroom apartment
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Modern fitted bathroom
- Lounge, Study/Storage
- Garage, Allocated parking
- Good Location
- Intercom Entrance
- Must Be Viewed
- EPC rating D

£110,000

HEDNESFORD CHURCHILL



- A three bedroom bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge/diner
- Shower room
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Driveway
- Good sized rear garden
- Awaiting EPC rating

£159,950

HEDNESFORD BOND WAY



- An immaculate one bedroom apartment
- Electric heating
- Double glazing
- Lounge, refitted kitchen
- Bedroom with built in wardrobes
- Refitted shower room
- Communal gardens, off road parking
- Viewing essential
- EPC rating C

£74,950

HEATH HAYES CHARLOCK GROVE



- Three bedroom detached
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Fitted Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- Guest WC
- Garage & Driveway
- Gas central heated
- NO CHAIN
- EPC rating D

£205,000

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SALES**LETTINGS****MANAGEMENT****AUCTIONS****SURVEYS****COMMERCIAL****EPC's****KINGSMEAD, FRANCIS GREEN LANE, PENKRIDGE****NEW PRICE****£299,950 FREEHOLD**

SPACIOUS EXTENDED THREE BEDROOMED TRADITIONAL SEMI DETACHED HOUSE OCCUPYING SUPERB GARDENS Located On A Much Sought After Area Convenient For The Picturesque Village Centre and Local Facilities

- ◆ Enclosed porch and Gas central heating reception hall
- ◆ Lounge & dining room Double glazed
- ◆ Fitted kitchen and utility Superb mature gardens
- ◆ Three bedrooms Detached garage
- ◆ Refitted family bathroom & refitted separate WC EPC rating D (67)

15 FIELD STREET, CANNOCK

THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Position Close To Facilities
 ◆ Entrance lobby Off road parking
 ◆ Lounge Gas fired central heating
 ◆ Dining kitchen All windows double glazed
 ◆ Three bedrooms Detached garage
 ◆ Bathroom EPC rating D (63)
 ◆ Gardens

£144,950 FREEHOLD**THE OAKLANDS, 6 KENDERDINE CLOSE, BEDNALL**

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FIVE BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE ENJOYING VIEWS OVER GREENBELT FARMLAND TO REAR

In Popular Cul-De-Sac On The Edge Of This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Three reception rooms Landscaped private rear gardens
- ◆ Refitted kitchen and utility Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory Fully double glazed
- ◆ Five bedrooms and intruder alarm
- ◆ Refitted family bathroom and ensuite shower room Detached double width garage
- ◆ EPC rating C (72)

£585,000 FREEHOLD**45 STAGBOROUGH WAY, HEDNESFORD, WS12 1UD****NO CHAIN**

TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities at The Town Centre
 ◆ Lounge Gardens
 ◆ Breakfast kitchen Gas fired central heating
 ◆ Double glazed conservatory Fully double glazed
 ◆ Two bedrooms
 ◆ Shower room
 ◆ Garage EPC rating tbc
 £139,950

40 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED, IMPROVED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE WITH FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING SELF CONTAINED FLAT SUITABLE FOR EXTENDED FAMILY OCCUPYING MATURE WELL STOCKED GARDENS In Much Sought After Residential Area Adjoining Cannock Park To The Rear
 ◆ Two reception rooms Self contained flat (currently let on AST)
 ◆ Breakfast kitchen Double integral garage
 ◆ Games/hobby/play room Gas central heating and double glazing
 ◆ Five bedrooms Shower room
 ◆ Two bathrooms EPC rating D (66)

£615,000 FREEHOLD**11 MEADOW CROFT, HUNTINGTON**

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED END Mews House Located In Popular Position Convenient For Access to Facilities and Cannock Chase An Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
 ◆ Lounge Integral garage
 ◆ Double glazed conservatory Gas fired central heating
 ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen Fully double glazed
 ◆ Three bedrooms
 ◆ Bathroom and separate toilet Intruder alarm
 ◆ Well stocked gardens EPC rating D (67)
 £145,000 FREEHOLD

THE COTTAGE, BROADHURST GREEN ROAD, HEDNESFORD**£325,000 FREEHOLD**

TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE WITH RANGE OF OUTBUILDINGS AND LAND EXTENDING TO APPROX 2.5 OF AN ACRE

- ◆ Open plan lounge/ kitchen area Extensive range of outbuildings
- ◆ Bathroom Occupation subject to being solely or mainly employed in agriculture or forestry industry
- ◆ Landing
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Outside utility room
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed EPC rating E (47)

20 MENDIP ROAD, PYE GREEN

NEW PRICE
IMPROVED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Position Adjoining Cannock Chase To Rear
 ◆ Reception hall Garden
 ◆ Lounge Gas fired central heating
 ◆ Kitchen Predominantly double glazed
 ◆ Three bedrooms Shower room
 ◆ Built on garage EPC rating C (71)
 £152,500 FREEHOLD

SPINNERS, 3 MISS PICKERINGS FIELD, ACTON TRUSSELL**£375,000 FREEHOLD**

ATTRACTIVE WELL MAINTAINED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Situated In The Quiet Cul-De-Sac Of Miss Pickering's Field Overlooking Landscaped Public Open Space In The Heart Of This Much Sought After Award Winning South Stafford Village Of Acton Trussell

- ◆ Reception hall and cloakroom Garage
- ◆ Three reception rooms Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen Fully double glazed
- ◆ Four bedrooms Heating
- ◆ Refitted bathroom Fully double glazed
- ◆ Ensuite Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating D (65)

430 LITTLEWORTH ROAD, HEDNESFORD**NO CHAIN**

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW OCCUPYING SECLUDED POSITION ON PRIVATE DRIVE Convenient At Hednesford, Heath Hayes and Cannock Centres
 ◆ Side reception hall Possible garage space
 ◆ Lounge Gas fired central heating
 ◆ Fitted breakfast kitchen Fully double glazed
 ◆ Two double bedrooms
 ◆ Bathrooms
 ◆ Gardens EPC rating C (72)
 £164,950 FREEHOLD

6 PACKINGTON MEWS, CANNOCK**NO CHAIN****£225,000 FREEHOLD**

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac Convenient For Facilities

- ◆ Reception hall and cloaks Garage and gardens
- ◆ Lounge Fully double glazed
- ◆ Dining room Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms Heating
- ◆ Bathroom and ensuite shower room EPC rating C (78)

40 ANSTY DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED LINKED DETACHED HOUSE Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Conveniently Located For Facilities
 ◆ Entrance lobby Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Lounge Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Refitted dining kitchen Fully double glazed
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathrooms EPC rating D (65)
- ◆ Built-on garage £199,950 FREEHOLD

21 ESSEX DRIVE, HEDNESFORD.

A SUPERB MUCH IMPROVED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Sought After Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities
 ◆ Enclosed porch & entrance Gas central heating
- ◆ Lounge Fully double glazed
- ◆ Refitted dining kitchen Built on garage
- ◆ Two bedrooms Landscaped gardens
- ◆ Refitted family bathroom EPC rating Ibc (£149,950 FREEHOLD)

FLAT 5, TEDDESLEY HOUSE, CLAY STREET, PENKRIDGE

WELL EQUIPPED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT Conveniently Located For Facilities Of The Centre Of The Popular Market Village Of Penkridge
 ◆ Communal hall, stairs and Allocated parking space
- ◆ Reception hall Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Lounge Fully double glazed
- ◆ Fitted kitchen Shower room
- ◆ Three bedrooms EPC rating C (80)
- ◆ Bathroom and ensuite £146,950

THE BARNs, YEW TREE FARM POTTAL POOL ROAD, PENKRIDGE

RANGE OF BARNs FOR CONVERSION TO FIVE RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO PROVIDE TWO TO FOUR BEDROOM RESIDENCES

**◆ Total Area 7,700 Sq Ft (717 m²) Gross External Floor Area Approximately
 ◆ Rural Location
 ◆ Convenient for access to Cannock, Stafford and Motorway Networks**

PRICE £500,000 FREEHOLD

Subject to Set-up Fee of £250 inc Vat

No Let - No Fee - No Hidden Extras

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35 GORSEY LANE, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE
Offering Well Equipped Accommodation Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Of The Town

- ◆ Sitting room & living room
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ L-shaped breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Utility room/cloaks room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ En-suite shower room
- ◆ Extensive parking and garage
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (57)

£1400pcm



FIRST FLOOR FLAT, 34 MARKET STREET, HEDNESFORD

LOCATED IN HEDNESFORD TOWN CENTRE CONVENIENT FOR LOCAL FACILITIES AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Part double glazed
- ◆ Hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Shower Room
- ◆ Parking to rear
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: F (21)

£350pcm



17 HIGHFIELD AVENUE, BURNTWOOD

THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge/dining room
- ◆ Dining kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Side verandah
- ◆ Bathroom & separate WC
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: tbc

£695pcm



8 RAILWAY STREET, CANNOCK

UNDER APPLICATION



INGLESDIDE, TOP ROAD, ACTON TRUSSELL

SPACIOUS WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED RESIDENCE OFFERING FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION
COMPRISING OF THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE WITH ADDITIONAL ONE BEDROOMED ANNEX Located In The Much Sought After Village of Acton Trussell

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room & garden room
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen & utility room
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom & guests cloakroom
- ◆ Double garage
- ◆ Mature well stocked gardens
- ◆ Annex with lounge, kitchen & bedroom
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: E (41)

£1350pcm



10 SPIRES CROFT, SHARESHILL

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac In This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Refitted open plan dining kitchen
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted en-suite shower room
- ◆ Refitted family bathroom
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Well stocked mature gardens
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (64)

£1300pcm



6 STAG PLACE, TEDDESELEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

LET AGREED



26 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Of The Town

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Verandah
- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathrooms
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: tbc

£725pcm

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39 TOWER VIEW ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT

- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Communal grounds and parking
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (63)

LET AGREED



45 NORTON TERRACE, NORTON CANES

DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM MID TOWN HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining kitchen
- ◆ Double bedroom
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Garden to front
- ◆ Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (71)

LET AGREED



18 KINROSS AVENUE, HEDNESFORD

WELL APPOINTED DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Sought After Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge & dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Master bedroom with dressing area & en-suite
- ◆ Three further bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (58)

£850pcm



324 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL APPOINTED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Conveniently Located For Local Facilities

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: tbc

£650pcm



76 LANGDALE DRIVE, CANNOCK

THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOME
Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre

- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (72)

£695pcm



11 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOM SECOND FLOOR FLAT
Conveniently Located For Local Facilities

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Allocated parking
- ◆ Secure entry system
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (79)

£525pcm

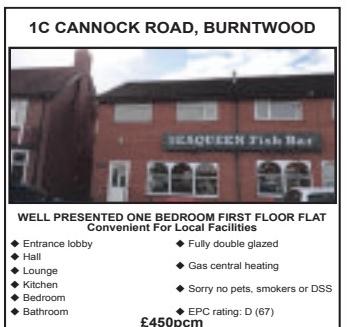


339 LONGFORD ROAD, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW
Located In Sought After Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ UPVC double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (61)

£625pcm



1C CANNOCK ROAD, BURNTWOOD

WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (67)

£450pcm



40A OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

UNDER APPLICATION

WELL EQUIPPED SELF CONTAINED ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In Much Sought After Residential Area With Views Of Cannock Park To The Rear

- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Landing
- ◆ Open plan Lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Double bedroom
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Enclosed foregarden
- ◆ Communal grounds & parking
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (76)

£475pcm



16 BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining kitchen
- ◆ UPVC double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ All windows double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (71)

£650pcm



4 MARTIN GROVE, HILTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

SPACIOUS FIVE BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Sitting room & dining room
- ◆ Study & family room
- ◆ Kitchen & Utility room
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Three en-suite shower rooms
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Double garage
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (79)

£1350pcm



Lovely well-presented family home

This lovely family home in Pillaton Close, Penkridge is well presented and comes with three bedrooms.

Situated in a very popular area, there are a variety of amenities nearby, good schooling and easy transport links. It is for sale through butters john bee at £210,000.

Its accommodation includes a porch, an entrance hallway, a lounge/diner, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, a family bathroom, an

PENKRDGE

£210,000

enclosed rear garden and not one but two conservatories. Viewing is highly recommended.

In more detail the kitchen/diner includes an oven, hob, extractor and dishwasher. Upstairs all three bedrooms have laminate flooring and bedroom three has a shower cubicle. The family bathroom has a white suite.



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Two-bed retirement apartment enjoys far-reaching views



BRIDGTOWN
£95,000

This well presented two-bedroomed retirement apartment with a balcony in Vine Court, Bridgtown, is for sale through Paul Carr at £95,000 for a 75 per cent share.

Part of a thoughtfully designed complex, this has a wide range of communal facilities and 24-hour care on hand.

There are far-reaching views from the apartment.

The apartment is located on the third floor with both lift and stairway access and has a light and airy feel throughout.

There are central heating radiators throughout the apartment, all fed from a

boiler located therein and hot water is provided via a central boiler within the complex.

There is a good sized lounge with access to the balcony with far reaching views. The lounge is open plan into the well appointed kitchen with integrated appliances which are included in the sale.

The apartment has two bedrooms and a wet room with a WC, wash basin and electric shower.

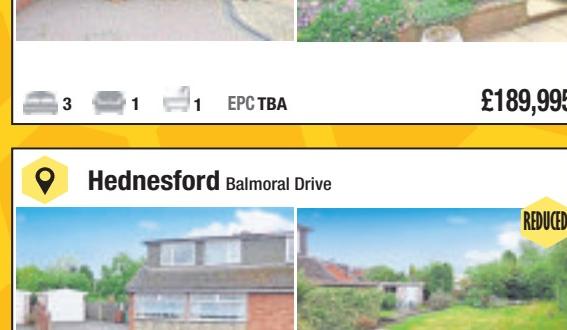




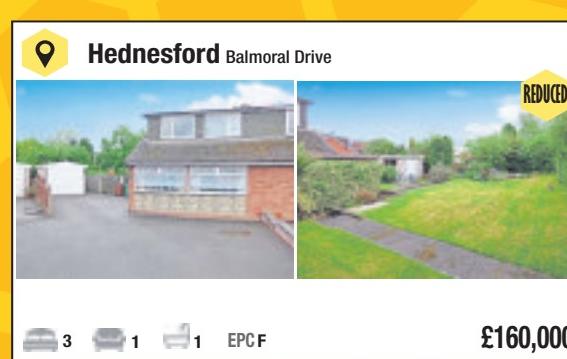
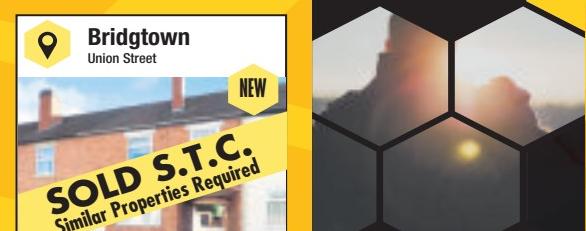
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ARMITAGE ROAD, RUGELEY

A delightful traditional detached property that has undergone a programme of refurbishment viewing is essential to appreciate. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Sitting Room, Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen, Guest Cloakroom/Utility Room, Downstairs Bedroom with Ensuite Shower. Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway to side and enclosed rear garden. EPC rating E

£260,000

GREENFIELD AVENUE ARMITAGE

A three bedroome semi detached family home in the sought after village of Armitage. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Guest Cloakroom. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway, Detached Garage and Garden to rear. NO UPWARD CHAIN. EPC RATING - D

£165,000

PRIORY ROAD BRERETON

A spacious three bedroome family home in a sought after location. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Room, Conservatory and Guest Cloakroom. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Garage/Utility Room and Games Room. Driveway and garden to rear. EPC RATING - D

£175,000

DURHAM DRIVE RUGELEY

A fully refurbished three bedroome bungalow with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas centrally heated and UPVC double-glazed. Entrance Porch, Lounge, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway and gardens to rear. EPC RATING - D

£169,995



CROSS ROAD RUGELEY

Ideally positioned for local amenities this two bedroomed semi-detached property benefits from UPVC double-glazing and Gas central heating. In need of upgrade. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility Room, Inner Hallway and Downstairs WC. First Floor Landing with two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to front. Enclosed Garden to rear. EPC Rating B

£110,000

ST THOMAS WAY HAWKSAYARD

Viewing of this modern attached family home is essential to truly appreciate. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Guest Cloakroom. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room and Family Bathroom. Enclosed Garden to rear. Driveway to side. EPC Rating B

£195,000

YEW TREE ROAD BRERETON

A well presented two bedroomed semi-detached property in a sought after location. Benefiting from Gas central heating and double-glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge and Refitted Kitchen. Landing, Two Bedrooms and Refitted Family Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. EPC Rating - D

£126,500

DISCOUNTED MARKET SALE SCHEME LANGLEY WAY, HAWKSAYARD

A well presented two bedroome first floor apartment. The property offers modern open plan living having Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double glazing. Entrance Hall, Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room/Kitchen, Two good sized Bedrooms and Bathroom. Having one allocated and one visitor parking space and Open views to the rear. EPC Rating C

£102,500



HAGLEY ROAD RUGELEY

A two bedroomed mid-terrace property located within walking distance to the town centre and local amenities. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazed. Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms, Luxury Bathroom, Garden to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - D

£115,000

ST LAWRENCE DRIVE HEATH HAYES

A well presented family home ideally situated for the local amenities. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room and Guest Cloakroom. First Floor Landing with Four Bedrooms one having an En-Suite and Family Bathroom. SINGLE GARAGE. Gardens to front and rear. EPC Rating C

£269,950

CANTERBURY DRIVE RUGELEY

A modern mid-terrace property ideal for a first-time buyer or investor offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge and Fitted Kitchen. First Floor Landing with Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden with off-road parking to the front and enclosed garden to rear. EPC Rating C

£136,500

FAR LADY CROFT ARMITAGE

A well presented modern family home in the sought after village of Armitage. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining/Kitchen and Guest Cloakroom. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Allocated parking to front and enclosed garden to rear. EPC Rating - B

£169,950

SANDY LANE RUGELEY

A good sized family home benefiting from UPVC single-glazing and Gas central heating. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room and Downstairs Bathroom. First Floor Landing with Three Good Sized Bedrooms and a separate WC. Gardens to front and rear. Garage. Enclosed rear parking area. EPC rating F

£139,995



21 GLOVERS HILL COURT BRERETON

By order of the mortgagees in possession, we would advise that on offer has been made for the above property in the sum of £99,950. Any person wishing to increase on this offer should notify the selling agents of their best offer either prior to exchange or within the next 7 days which ever is sooner. Crestrefid - 0189 583377

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KELLY AVENUE BRERETON

A three bedroomed mid-terrace property offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Downstairs WC, Breakfast Kitchen, First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front with driveway. Enclosed garden to rear. EPC rating C

£120,000

LOVETT COURT RUGELEY

A three bedroomed mid-terrace property benefiting from UPVC double-glazing and Gas central heating. Entrance Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Enclosed rear parking. EPC Rating C

£109,995

ARMITAGE ROAD RUGELEY

A delightful mid-terrace property ideally positioned for the town centre and local amenities. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Lounge, Dining Kitchen, rear Lean-to First Floor Landing with Two Bedrooms and Shower Room plus Attic Room. Off-road parking to rear for two vehicles and garden area. EPC rating D

£125,000

OAKTREE ROAD RUGELEY

A good sized family home offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Located within easy walking distance of the local school and amenities. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Conservatory. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Gardens to front and rear. EPC rating D

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CANNOCK ROAD BLACKFORDS

Well presented first floor flat. Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen, One spacious double Bedroom and Shower Room. Electric Heating and Double Glazing. A number of energy saving improvements have been made to the property. Off Road Parking. Communal area at rear. NO SMOKERS, NO PETS, DSS, EPC rating E DEPOSIT £623

£435 pcm



KNIGHT COURT NORTON CANES

Second floor flat with security communal entrance system. Comprises of Spacious Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Electric heating. Allocated Parking. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS OR PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £623

£450 pcm



FORGE MEWS FORGE ROAD

Ground floor flat within walking distance of the town centre. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, One Double Bedroom, Shower Room. Garden to front. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £623

£450 pcm



UPPER BROOK STREET RUGELEY

Modern spacious first floor flat. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, large Lounge with Juliette balcony windows, Kitchen with appliances. Two Bedrooms with built in wardrobes. Bathroom, Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. EPC Rating C. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £685

£495 pcm



BOW STREET RUGELEY

Viewing of this well presented, One Bed roomed First Floor refurbished flat is highly recommended. Finished to a high standard it is within walking distance to the Town Centre and the local amenities. Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances, Shower Room. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS, EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £720

£520 pcm



NEW PRICE

BOW STREET RUGELEY

Viewing of this well presented, One Bed roomed Second Floor refurbished flat is highly recommended. Finished to a high standard it is within walking distance to the Town Centre and the local amenities. Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances, Shower Room. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS, EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £725

£525 pcm



BOW STREET RUGELEY

Semi-detached property, refurbished to a high standard, comprises of open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Patio area at rear. On road parking. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKING. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £795

£570 pcm



HOWELL MEWS WOLVELEY ROAD

Modern second floor apartment. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom, en suite Shower Room to Master. Electric Heating and Double Glazing. Security Entrance system. Allocated Parking. NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating E DEPOSIT £740

£535 pcm



WOLVELEY ROAD RUGELEY

Modern second floor apartment. Comprises of Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances, Bathroom, Two Bedrooms, Master Bedroom with En-suite. Security Entrance system. Allocated parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED.

NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKERS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £740

£535 pcm



BIRMINGHAM ROAD LICHFIELD

Spacious second floor flat with security entrance system in town centre location, comprising of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bed rooms and Bathroom. Allocated Parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED (images taken 2016)

NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKERS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £845

£595 pcm



DEERLEAP WAY RUGELEY

Spacious semi-detached property in sought after location. Comprises Entrance Porch, Spacious Kitchen/Diner with some appliances. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom, En suite shower room to Master. Garage with family room at rear. Gardens to front and rear.

NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS, EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £823

£595 pcm

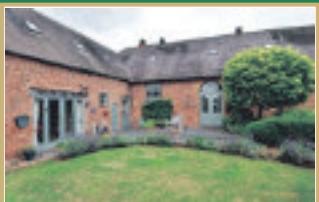


FAIRMOUNT WAY ETCHINGHILL

Three bedroom semi-detached property, comprising of Entrance Hall, Lounge, re-fitted Kitchen/Diner, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Garage with driveway parking. (Photos taken June 2016)

VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £879

£635 pcm



BLITHBURY ROAD HAMSTALL RIDWARE

Stunning FURNISHED Barn Conversion in idyllic setting. Accommodation comprises of open plan Lounge/Kitchen/ Dining Room with all appliances and feature Inglenook fireplace. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Off road parking.

VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £1995 (FURNISHED)

£1,000 pcm



KEY HOUSE BREWERY STREET

Studio Apartment in town centre location comprising open plan living space with fully fitted Kitchen and appliances. Lounge/Bedroom area with spacious Shower Room. Communal entrance with Security system. RENT INCLUDES ELECTRIC BILL.

NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £575

£445 pcm



TALBOT STREET RUGELEY

Spacious well presented semi detached property. Accommodation comprises of through Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen with some appliances, Conservatory. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Annex in rear garden consisting of Utility area with Shower Room and Toilet.

PROPERTY FURNISHED VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKERS. EPC - tbc

£750 pcm



LET AGREED

PHOENIX CLOSE RUGELEY

A mid terraced property within walking distance to town centre. Comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Electric Storage Heating and Double Glazing. Parking to front. Garden at rear. (Photos taken December 2015) VIEWING RECOMMENDED.

NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £740

£535 pcm



LET AGREED

BOW STREET RUGELEY

Viewing of this well presented, One Bed roomed Ground Floor refurbished flat is highly recommended. Finished to a high standard it is within walking distance to the Town Centre and the local amenities. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances, Shower Room.

NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKERS. EPC Rating D

£520 pcm



LET AGREED

ARMITAGE ROAD RUGELEY

Detached bungalow with ample parking. Comprises of Through Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Shower room. Gardens to front and rear. Garage. VIEWING RECOMMENDED.

NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, PETS CONSIDERED. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £900

£675 pcm



LET AGREED

TRURO CLOSE RUGELEY

First Floor One Bedroom Apartment in sought after location. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall with stairs leading to open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances. One double Bedroom and Bathroom. Allocated Parking.

NO DSS, NO SMOKERS, NO PETS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £623

£450 pcm



LET AGREED

HAMPTON GREEN CANNOCK

Well presented semi-detached property. Comprising of Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Lounge, Two Bed rooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Drive way parking.

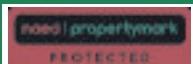
VIEWING RECOMMENDED.
NO DSS, NO PETS, NO SMOKING. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £795

£575 pcm



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Gorse Road, Brereton
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- Bathroom
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£112,000



Bilberry Close, Rugeley
A Three Bedroom End Link Detached House

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- Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom
- Attached Garage and Driveway
- Garden to Rear

£179,950



Ti-Arwi, Keystone Lane, Rugeley
A Traditional 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House

- Part Double Glazed
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens & Driveway Parking
- Single Car Garage & Outside W.C

£163,000



Hednesford Road, Rugeley
A Three Bedroom Semi-detached House

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- Breakfast Kitchen
- Orangerie
- Downstairs Bathroom, Family Bathroom & En-Suite
- Parking on Large Driveway and Garage

£249,950



Windsor Close, Rugeley
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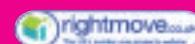
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- Energy Rating C
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- Energy Rating B
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- GCH
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- Energy Rating D
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- Guest WC, GCH
- Bathroom, DG
- Gardens, Parking
- Energy Rating B

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PEREGRINE WAY, HEATH HAYES

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NEW

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- Modern Kitchen, Two Bedrooms
- Modern Bathrooms
- Communal Gardens, Allocated Parking
- No CHAIN
- OIEO £98,000

WESTMINSTER ROAD, CANNOCK

REDUCED

- A Well Presented Semi Detached House
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- Two Bed Semi
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Guest WC, GCH
- Bathroom, DG
- Gardens, Parking
- Energy Rating B
- NO DSS / PETS

£695 ppcm

SPARROWHAWK WAY, HEATH HAYES

- Three Bed Detached
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, GCH & DG
- Driveway
- Rating C
- NO DSS/Pets

£750 ppcm

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

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- Dining Room, Extended
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- Three Bedrooms, Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens, Driveaway
- Garage in Separate Block
- £135,000

MOSS GREEN, RUGELEY

SOLD S.T.C.

- A very well presented three bedroom mid terraced house
- Spacious Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms, Bathrooms
- Modern Bathrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens, Garage
- No Chain
- £118,500 NO CHAIN

HOWELL MEWS, RUGELEY

SOLD S.T.C.

- Immaculately Presented Apartment
- Security Entrance
- Entrance Hall
- Open-Plan Lounge/Kitchen
- Family Lounge
- Three Bedrooms, Bathrooms
- En-Suite & Bathroom
- Communal Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- En-Suite & Bathroom
- Communal Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- £110,000

PENDLE HILL, HEDNESFORD

SOLD S.T.C.

- An Extended Well Presented Three Bed Semi Detached House
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility Room
- Three Bedrooms, Bathrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens, Driveaway
- Modern Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility Room, Guest WC
- £149,950

ASH CLOSE, NORTON CANES

NEW

- A Modern Well Presented Detached Family Home
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- Front and Rear Gardens
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- Two Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Lounge, Impressive Kitchen/Diner
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- Bathroom with Separate Shower
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WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

SOLD S.T.C.

- A Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Utility Area & Guest WC
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathrooms
- Delightful Rear Garden
- Town Centre Location
- £119,950 No Chain

MEADOWBROOK CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

SOLD S.T.C.

- A modern well presented ground floor apartment
- GCH & D/G
- Open plan lounge & Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- En-suite & bathroom
- Allocated parking & communal gardens
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RADNOR RISE, HEDNESFORD

SOLD S.T.C.

- A Deceptively Spacious Semi Detached House Positioned on a Corner Plot
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility Room
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SHIRE CLOSE, CANNOCK

NEW

- A Modern Extremely Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Reception Hall, Guest WC
- Two Reception Rooms
- Four Bedrooms, Fitted En-Suite & Family Bathroom
- Side Reception, Study/Bedroom Five
- Garage, Driveway
- Gardens
- Incentives Can Be Applied
- £189,950

WORDSWORTH CLOSE, ARMITAGE

NEW

- A Well Presented & Re-Furbished Detached Family Home
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Conservatory, Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Detached Garage, Driveway
- Front & Rear Gardens
- £195,000

MYRTLE GLADE, CHURCHBRIDGE

- An Extremely Well Presented Modern Semi-Detached Family Home
- Entrance Hall, Guest WC, Spacious Lounge
- Three Bedrooms, Bathrooms
- Detached Garage, Driveway
- Front & Rear Gardens
- £215,000

ST JOHNS CLOSE, CANNOCK

NO CHAIN

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- Ground Floor Bathroom
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- Four BedRooms, En-Suite, Family Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway
- Conservatory
- £259,950

DAISY BANK, HEDNESFORD

- An Extremely Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Lounge, Family Dining Room, Guest WC
- Four BedRooms, Fitted En-Suite & Family Bathroom
- Side Reception, Study/Bedroom Five
- £275,000

HALLUM WAY, HEDNESFORD

NEW

- An Executive Newly Built Detached Family Residence
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BMW 5 still a premium benchmark

By Darren Cassey

When the BMW 5 Series gets refreshed it's a pretty big deal. It has long been considered the benchmark for premium saloons and estates, but with new rivals such as Volvo trying to worm their way into a sector dominated by BMW, Audi and Mercedes-Benz, it's no surprise that the 5 Series has been overhauled to stay ahead of the competition.

Aside from a slightly more slender appearance, the 5 Series looks very similar to its predecessor. However, under the skin there have been plenty of changes. For example, the chassis has been reworked using more lightweight materials, which contribute to an overall weight reduction of 100kg.

Meanwhile the notoriously smooth ride has been further optimised with a new suspension setup at the front and the rear.

Our 530d test car came with a 3.0-litre, six-cylinder diesel engine. It's an ideal powerplant for those who drive long distances, with excellent response and a surging, torquey power delivery. Resist the urge to put your foot down and you can easily achieve nearly 60mpg.

The 2.0-litre diesel is even more efficient, promising economy in excess of 60mpg and costing less to begin with. It doesn't have the same badge appeal as the 530d, but it has more than enough performance so you never feel like you're missing out.

A calm, relaxing drive has always been the 5 Series' key selling point, and BMW has exceeded its own high standard with the latest model. At motorway speeds it manages to smooth out the road so that even long drives are dispatched with zero stress.



It's a big car and struggles to hide it

What's arguably even more impressive is that this is not at the expense of great handling. The steering weight is perfectly judged and the 5 Series refrains from rolling around making it surprisingly fun to throw down a back road.

BMW's premium estate is a big car, and it struggles to hide it. The design is more slender than before, with the bodywork appearing to hug the frame more tightly. Particularly in the sportier trims, the addition of small aerodynamic wings help to give a more aggressive appearance, though the standard car does look a tad plain.

The interior is fantastic and exactly what you'd expect from a premium estate, sitting further towards the luxury 7 Series than the more family focused 3 Series. A large central screen plays host to all the menus and satellite navigation functions, with many controls able to be used by waving your hands around.

The only complaint that can be levelled at the car is that the seats are quite



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uncomfortable, resulting in minor back ache over long distances. Be sure to try out different seats and driving positions before settling on one.

The 5 Series' specification is impressive across the board, with even models lower down the pecking order not giving the feeling you're being short changed – a few blanked off buttons the only hint that something is up.

The standard SE model still gets the widescreen on the dashboard, two-zone climate control and ambient lighting, which makes night driving really pleasant. Optional extras that are worth going for include adaptive cruise control, Driving Assistant Plus (which includes a range of advanced driving aids) and wireless mobile phone charging. It's difficult to find much to fault with the

BMW 5 Series. It was already at the top of the game and with a few choice revisions, such as a lighter chassis and upgraded suspension, there's no doubt it'll continue at the top of the sales charts.

Every mile behind the wheel reminds you why this is the premium saloon benchmark – sorry to BMW's rivals, but expect business as usual in the sales charts.

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Fiesta matures from cheeky chappie

By Ian Donaldson

A couple of miles into the test drive I realised the car was humming quietly along the main road – in fourth gear.

If ever you needed a demonstration that the new Fiesta has matured into an even more serious player here it was, with two gears left to go.

At a stroke the best selling car in the UK for the last eight years has turned from cheeky chappie (but loads of fun) into a car that feels bigger and softer and not quite so keen to have a laugh with you.

That certainly applies to the likely biggest seller in the new range, the Zetec trim version with its 100 horsepower engine and – crucially – new six-speed gearbox instead of the previous five.

There's a more sporty tied-down ST-Line Fiesta due in the autumn which early signs say has fun factor 50 but it's going to be a relatively small seller, thoroughly outgunned by less expensive versions – and with the Zetec taking more than half the total sales.

So it's good that the Zetec – second up in a Fiesta pecking order stretching from 70 horsepower petrol £12,715 Style to 120 horsepower diesel £21,225 Vignale – is such an instant charmer.

More so on the inside than out, you'd have to say. The exterior of the latest Fiesta has grown very modestly (70mm longer, 13mm wider but 20mm lower) and is completely restyled, although you might never guess.

That's as fine compliment to the outgoing model as you could pay; don't mess with a look that's won thousands of sales. Doesn't do VW any harm with succeeding generations of Golfs, does it?

The result is a car with space to spare in the front – and a near perfect driving position – but just enough room in the rear for a couple of adults and a boot big enough for a family's supermarket shop but less generous than some of the competition.

Inside is where the attention needed to be paid, with the old car's dashboard looking increasingly like a relic from the past, littered with meanly sized displays and an excess of tiny buttons. All gone! Replaced in the modern minimalist fashion by a big iPad-like touchscreen that looks smart but doesn't have a lot to say for itself without a satellite navigation map on display (sat nav is standard on some dearer cars, a £300 option on others).

There's more soft touch plastic than previously, lending a gently more upmarket feel to proceedings. With the posh Vignale version you will enjoy the heated leather seats and steering wheel that a mere Zetec trim car can only dream about.

If the all-change interior is much needed step up, the engine choice is mostly as before, which is no bad thing if you enjoy the willing thump of a three-cylinder petrol unit. Gone is the old and mildly asthmatic 1.25 litre engine, with most new Fiestas using versions of the established 1.0 litre three-cylinder unit in differing outputs – 100/125/140 horsepower and with CO2 readings from as low as 97g/km.

The old 1.5 litre diesel engine remains, in two power outputs (85/120 horsepower, from 82g/km), but will take less than one in ten sales.

The new six-speed manual gearbox will feature in the bulk of new Fiestas, which will have five doors too. Ford is sticking with a



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three-door option in a market increasingly ditching this choice on the grounds that not enough buyers bother these days to make it worthwhile.

The on-paper list price of most cars is an irrelevance these days and that's absolutely the case with the Fiesta, where 85 per cent of private buyers will opt for a personal contract plan (PCP) that provides a Zetec-spec car from £116 a month over three years and

with a £5,000 deposit. That's an increase of £15 a month over the outgoing and a drive in the new one makes that look a sensible investment.

Tweaks to the suspension and clearly a lot of work on soundproofing have changed the Fiesta into a car that quietly soaks up bad British road surfaces, only objecting a little to the biggest bumps, and turning into corners with most of the eagerness of old.

Even with fourth gear standing in for sixth some of the time (blame that newfound quietness) the test drive showed 46mpg in a 100 horsepower version, which never felt underpowered.

If a tiny bit of the puppy dog spirit has gone you have to reckon the payback in refined progress is going to be welcomed by the majority of owners. And there are quicker, firmer ones on the way soon, don't forget.

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Kia makes bold effort with Cee'd GT

By John Griffiths

It's not difficult to see the attractions of a performance hatchback: a combination of sports car-like driving dynamics and family car practicality.

Some have become icons in their own right like the Golf GTI, Ford ST, Leon Cupra and Honda's Civic Type-R to name but a few.

That makes it hard for newcomers to edge their nose into the fray but Kia is making a bold and appealing effort with its sporting flagship, the Cee'd GT.

It's perhaps best described as a 'warm' hatch rather than a full-blooded 'hot' machine but combines more reasonable costs with impressive real-world performance. An excellent chassis makes for excellent handling (and it's fun, too) but that doesn't come at the expense of a harsh ride – it's more civilised than extreme.

The £24,010 car's engine is pretty remarkable too, turning out 201Ps of power and – thanks to turbocharging – a hefty 265Nm of torque. Enough to take you from a standstill to 62mph in just 7.3 seconds.

Official average fuel consumption is 38.2mpg (laboratory tests) which is reasonable for a car of this power potential. My 'real world' test result in an average 34mpg.

The turbo increases the standard 1,600cc engine's output by 51per cent and torque by 61per cent but that isn't the only benefit.

This latest version produces maximum torque at lower revs (1,500rpm) than its predecessor for slightly quicker but smoother, more linear acceleration up to the limit. It feels effortless, civilised and particularly quiet – although you can switch on the new noise generator (an electronic device) for a

more growly, sporting sound if that's how the mood takes you. Regulations prevent the use of old-fashioned growly exhausts that can be heard outside the car.

It's switched on by pressing the 'GT' button on the steering wheel which also changes the speedo from an analogue to a digital display, with torque and turbo gauges as well.

This best of two worlds engine really defines the Cee'd: it cruises for the most part at a near silent 2,000rpm but put your foot down for a quick overtake and it surges forward on a very convincing wave of power and torque. The benchmark 37 to 60mph overtaking sprint takes just 5.4 seconds and the job's done.

The chassis has the same dual personality, too. The sports suspension, while firm-ish, as you'd expect, is well damped so you don't feel the worst some of our bumpy B-roads can offer. It also helps to keep you accurately on your chosen track on such roads, without discernible body roll and no signs of under or oversteer. Add sharp steering and it's a rewarding experience for the keen driver.

This latest Cee'd flagship comes with new 18-inch alloys shod with grippy 225/40 low profile tyres. Bigger disc brakes all round have reduced stopping distances, too.

The interior is a pleasant place to be, with room for five adults: the rear seats are quite generous and there are stylish and comfortable leather and suede Recaro sports seats in front. Trim includes high gloss black and chrome highlights.

As you'd expect of the flagship of the range, the specification is comprehensive, as indeed it is for its sibling – the three-door Pro_cee'd GT which is £500 cheaper, as it's essentially the same car but with three instead of five doors.

Equipment upgrades on this latest GT



The GT is fun, competent and offers reasonable value-for-money which put it in contention as a class leader in this particular niche

include an MP3 compatible DAB radio as part of a six-speaker audio system, a new seven-inch display screen for the satnav, traffic messaging and reversing camera.

The sports-style 'D' shaped leather steering wheel has a comprehensive array of finer/thumb remote controls, for communications, audio, speed limiter and cruise control, among others. Also standard are electric windows and mirrors, dual zone air conditioning, heated front seats and steering wheel, and rear privacy glass.

All Cee'd and Pro_cee'd models are easily recognisable by their unique 'ice cube' design

LED driving and fog lamps below the main, wrap-around headlights. But the two GT versions are also distinguished by a lower, broader bumper and air dam and larger centre air intake, as well as twin exhausts at the rear.

Body styling touches as new sill mouldings, the bigger wheels, aluminium pedals and red brake calipers also point to the car's potential and character.

In engineering the new Gts, Kia hasn't tried to rival some of the establish track day favourites but instead produced a pair of cars which offer real-world performance

in a fun but civilised manner. It comes at considerably less cost than some of those more focussed rivals, too, along with a full seven years/100,000 mile warranty which is not to be sneezed at.

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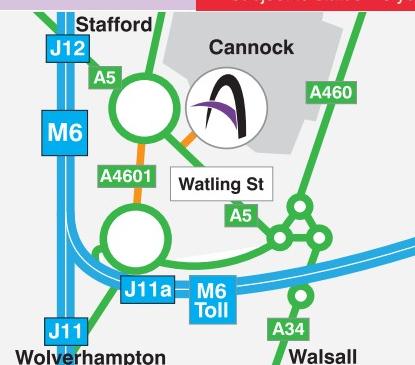
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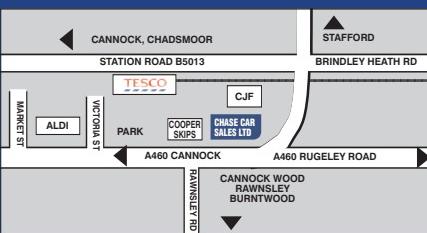


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Classy place to spend hours on road

By Ian Donaldson

When it comes to clinching the deal Vauxhall customers wants to see something for their money – and right there in the showroom works best.

So you'll quite likely be popped into the driver's seat of a new Insignia Sports Tourer and be asked to look straight ahead where, if the car has been speced right, you'll feel like a fighter pilot.

For a £290 option brings a head up display that pops speed and sat nav directions directly on to the windscreen, in your sightline and saving a distracting glance downward. Audi charges £900 for the same thing, by the way.

Wander round the rear of this new load lugger from Luton and you may find a biggish cardboard box in the boot, its 135 litres capacity being the precise increase in cargo capacity over the old Sport Tourer.

It's the sort of obvious, practical demonstration of a car's capabilities that, we're told by the men who know at Vauxhall, that makes people happy to sign on the dotted line.

Very sensible too; you may admire the looks of the new largest estate in the Vauxhall range – even spot its modest growth over the one before – but life with a car that will have to earn its living quickly boils down to practicalities.

The outgoing model wasn't quite practical enough, apparently. Too tight for legroom in the back, for starters. The new one stretches the distance between front and rear wheels to the benefit of rear seat passengers.

They now enjoy enough room for two six-footers to sit comfortably in tandem. Not quite the limo-like stretch of a Skoda Superb,

though, which is actually shorter than the new Insignia but in a class of its own in space terms.

The Skoda has the Vauxhall licked on boot room too and so does the VW Passat estate but a perhaps more direct competitor, Ford's Mondeo, is smaller in the luggage bay than the Insignia with back seat up or down.

Whatever the figures show you won't declare the new Vauxhall lacking in stowage space, and worth the £1,500 lift over the Grand Sport hatchback sibling.

Swallow

The great majority will be heading for life as a company car and there's surely ample room for all the paraphernalia that goes with it.

And at weekends when the family piles on board, the Sports Tourer will swallow all the football kit for the Second XI and still have space for pizzas on the way home.

Prices start at £18,685 for a Design version with a new 1.5 litre 140 horsepower petrol engine.

Not many will go for the entry level trim but Vauxhall thinks the current swing against diesel (warranted or not) might make this petrol model surprisingly popular.

For another £795 you move up to a Design Nav spec, perhaps essential for anyone who needs to know precisely how far away the next business meeting is and when they're going to get there.

You can have a car without sat nav in the next grade up – SRi – but you wonder how many will, with prices from £21,580 for a map enabled (petrol) version.

An SRi 1.6 litre 136 horsepower diesel (£23,240) tried over a mixed route on the press launch showed 54mpg at the end in



The new Insignia Tourer stretches the distance between front and rear wheels to the benefit of rear seat passengers

comparison to the 40mpg of the petrol car, which felt less lively too. Both rode well and felt a mostly classy place to while away hours on the road. There are plenty of cubbies and stowage places and a crisp, business-like feel to the way dials are drawn and switches placed.

As befits a car that must appeal to a multitude of company pecking orders, there are plenty of engines to choose from, starting

with two versions of the new 1.5 petrol (140 and 165PS) and five diesels in either 1.6 or 2.0 litres capacity and power outputs from 110 to 170PS.

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WOLVES have now been placed as favourites for the Championship title by leading bookmakers after their perfect start to the season. The club have gone from 14-1 since May to 11-4 after their good start to the 2017/18 campaign.

They have already seen off Middlesbrough, Derby and Hull as well as a victory over Yeovil in the league cup. Even before their clash on Saturday, with Cardiff, with Wolves then in second place, but level on points, the Molineux men were touted as the most likely to win the league.

David Stevens, head Of PR at Coral, said: "The odds have tumbled on Wolves for the Championship. They were 14-1 when we first opened betting in late May, and down to 10-1 before the start of the season."

"Their odds since have gone down to 15-2 after their opening win, then 11-2 and they are now 11-4 favourites after last night's victory. To put it into context, Aston Villa were 7-1 title favourites before the season began, but are now out to 14-1."

Homegrown talent is priority for Pulis

TONY PULIS dreams of putting out an Albion team in the Premier League brimming with local talent from Birmingham and the Black Country.

The Baggies boss is impressed with the standard of players being nurtured in the academy and hopes that, in two years' time, those promising youngsters will be first-team regulars. Teenagers Sam Field and Rekeem Harper both played in midfield on the opening day of the season, while Jonathan Leko and Kane Wilson were named on the bench. If Pulis can follow up Gareth Barry's arrival with a few more additions before the window shuts, it may free up some of those youngsters to go out on loan.

The Baggies boss says regular men's football – the kind he can't afford to give them in the Premier League – is crucial for their development.

"The big thing about the football club is they've kept their young players in academy football for far, far too long," he said. "We've got to try and find four or five players to bring into this club to take it up to a level where we can cope without having the kids around us."

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By Craig Birch

The players are experienced enough to go out there and think to themselves 'no-one at this level is better than us. We can do it'.

and, when this came up, he phoned me and asked if I'd be interested. I thought it would be great to work with him.

"We came in quite late, it was three weeks into pre-season so it was quite late really, but we quickly made a few phone calls to see what players we could get down. Danny has done really well to get those lads in, I've given him a helping hand with a few numbers and training has gone really well."

"I don't like to put this in a disrespectful way, but a few of them are probably coming towards the end of their careers although they still have plenty to offer to the game. They are all around Premier Division or Division One standard, some of them are the best in the league if you ask me."

"We've hit the ground running and me and Danny are not off the phone to each other every day and we talk, at length, about the squad after we've trained on a Thursday."

"We talked a bit more in depth after we've named the players, then we turn up on a Saturday and go over tactics, before we deliver it to the lads."

"Me and Danny have been friends through football for a long time now, he's well known and respected in the game. He's been captain, as a player, at every club he's been at."

"He's been trying to get into jobs here and there

group nights out down the line. It gets a bit of a banner going between the lads and they are all trying to get money out of each other. It's all about emptying their pockets!"

They have left to concentrate on their jobs, with owner John Lee and chairperson Hazel Keirle taking care of matters behind-the-scenes.

Recruitment has gathered pace despite the duo arriving relatively late in the summer, succeeding Liam Fieldhouse after Ben Astley quit at the end of last season.

Centre-half Tony Russen has been brought in and named captain while striker Darren Leonard, even at the age of 43, has vast experience at a higher level.

Midfielder Lee Onions has played in the Premier Division for Wednesfield while Daniel Benbow, Jamal Pincock and Leon Pugh have all turned out at levels above.

Promotion

Back-to-back home games have seen them begin the season unbeaten, with a 4-0 win over FC Darlaston and a 1-1 draw against AFC Bilbrook.

They are second on goal difference behind Warrington Wanderers, who have netted 15 goals in two games with 8-1 and 7-3 victories over Ludlow and AFC Bridgnorth Development.

Carter and Carrier expect Wanderers to be involved in the promotion race, but have made their intentions clear – they want to be champions.

Carrier added: "This could be a stepping stone, the aim is promotion and we really want to push on here. Hopefully, we can win the league."

"It's no secret what are ambitions are, I think we will be a force to be reckoned with. From what I'm told, Division Two is quite competitive but, hopefully, our experience can take over."

"Outsiders have asked us what we expect to do and the players are experienced enough to go out there and think to themselves 'no one at this level is better than us. We can do it'."



Joint managers, Danny Carter, left, and Andrew Carrier



The managers seen during a training session at Prestwood Road



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Star Singh cuts deficit at the top

GURINDER SINGH was the star as Smethwick closed the gap on Moseley to four points at the top of Birmingham & District League Division One.

They capitalised on the leaders' defeat to Bridgnorth by beating Shifnal by 45 runs.

Singh hit eight sixes and five fours in his unbeaten 98.

Nipun Karunanayake hit 80, but Himley fell further off the pace with defeat to Barnards Green. Kidderminster closed the gap on Walsall to 14 points in their Premier Division relegation battle, but both suffered defeats.

Opener Matt Pardoe was out on 99 in Kidder's 292-8, but big-hitting Barnet Green cruised home in 35.5 overs. Abid Ali hit 69no as West Bromwich Dartmouth accounted for Walsall. Wolverhampton were beaten by leaders Berkswell, despite 52 from Zen Malik.

In Division Two, Halesowen kept themselves in the promotion race with victory over bottom club Old Hill, while Penkridge were also winners – at Sutton Coldfield.

However, there were defeats for Cannock & Rugeley Hawks, Fordhouses and Wombourne.

Streetly overcame Milford Hall to remain top of Division Three, Sagan Managalar starring with 73no.

There were wins for Brewood (Richard Hewitt 52no) and Stourbridge (Zain Ul-Hassan 42-5 and Luke Alexander 42-0), against Nuneaton and Worcester Nomads respectively, but Lichfield lost to Astwood Bank.

Firsts enjoy a big win but seconds are held to losing draw

Swindon 1st XI vs Cannock 1st XI
CAPTAIN Will Fleet won the toss and elected to bat first away at Swindon.

The loss of three early wickets put Cannock on the back foot but an excellent partnership between Adam Benton and Nick Trebilcock steadied the innings. Benton was eventually dismissed for 58 and Trebilcock made 51. They were well supported by James Caswell (54) and Ed Fleet (44 not out) as Cannock posted 264-9.

The visitors were on top from the very beginning of the run chase with Ed Martin taking 3-18 and Ed Fleet following up his good batting with 3-38 with the ball. The match was wrapped up by Connor Shingler who took 3-6 as Cannock won comfortably by 176 runs.

Cannock 2nd XI vs Coseley 1st XI
Cannock won the toss and elected to field first against league leaders, Coseley. The visitors declared on 200-7.

Because of the rain, Cannock needed 101 from 23 overs to secure a winning draw but some excellent spin bowling put the blocks on. Cannock could only manage 49-3, giving them a losing draw.

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as ambition grows

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Shelley races ahead with 12 wins on trot



Lloyd Shelley – stunning form Picture: Tony Else

LLOYD Shelley continued his stunning winning streak during round five of the Darley Moor championships, extending his unbeaten run of races to 12.

Another four wins ensured Shelley stayed top of the Formula 600 and Sound of Thunder classes, setting four fastest laps along the way.

The Burntwood star was one of three riders to complete a clean sweep while another 10 recorded a pair of wins apiece. On all four occasions, Matt Zschiesche, from Stoke on Trent, was forced to

settle for the runner-up spot. Shelley has a commanding lead in the Formula 600 series with 72 points, ahead of Steven Procter in second on 42 and third-placed Zschiesche on 31.

He also has the same number of points in the Sound of Thunder class, with Zschiesche on 36 Jamie Medhurst third in 30.

Neil Hingley, from Burntwood, was another double race winner at Sunday's meeting at the Derbyshire circuit in the combined Classics/ Formula 125 races, enjoying start to finish victories.

Heath Hayes comfy, but Cannock not

Heath Hayes 4 Coventry Alvis 0

Midland Football League Div One

TWO goals each from Jack Weldon and Regan Smith in the first 45 minutes sealed another three points for Hayes in their game against newly promoted Coventry Alvis.

On 12 minutes Smith's 18-yard drive found the corner of the net, then on 24 Weldon followed up to put a loose ball into the net after the Alvis keeper had parried a Jake Humphries free kick.

It was 3-0 eight minutes later when Weldon got his second, squeezing the ball under the keeper from a tight angle.

And a minute later Smith got his second, taking Hayes in at half time with a 4-0 lead, a credit to the sharp accurate football they played. The second half continued with Hayes doing the pressing but could not find any more goals.

Cannock United 3 (1) NDFC 2 (0)

CANNOCK United were lucky not to concede in the first half, Ash Lowndes pulling off save after save as NDFC pressed after going one down when Josh Scott, aged 16, scored his first senior goal for Cannock.

Cannock increased their lead as Grant Winwood headed the ball down for Joe Taylor to score his third of the season on 50 minutes. Winwood also netted on 66 minutes for a comfortable lead.

NDFC eventually grabbed a goal on 79 minutes. The 90 passed and the game played on. Ellis Parkes was sent off for a serious foul on 90+6, and NDFC scored a second on 90+7.

M&B at the double to improve position

M&B CHESLYN HAY'S league position improved significantly as they completed their outstanding fixture against Dudley Building Society leaders Willenhall Nordley A and also eased past Woodfield A to move into third place, writes Dave Law.

Their match against Willenhall Nordley A was always likely to be close with the leaders in top form but they managed an 18-shot victory over their visitors.

The Woodfield game was slightly more straightforward as there were 43 shots separating the two teams in the 11-3 victory.

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Kurt wants more after fault



Kurt Wigley admitted round seven at Thruxton had been 'a challenging weekend'

KURT WIGLEY will be hoping for better luck this weekend when the British Superbike series rolls back into action.

Wigley admitted round seven at Thruxton had been 'challenging weekend to say the least' after battling his way to 14th places in the British Supersport class.

The 21-year-old, from Hednesford, was left scratching his head after poor practice sessions due to handling issues before eventually realising it was a problem with a rear shock.

"It was the Saturday morning when we discovered the fault," he said.

"This meant we entered qualifying blind as to how the bike would handle. Despite this I managed to improve my lap time significantly although this was only enough to put me in 15th on the grid playing catch up."

"I managed to finish in 14th position again, which this time was a positive result in that it was in the points but it was still far from where we aim to be."

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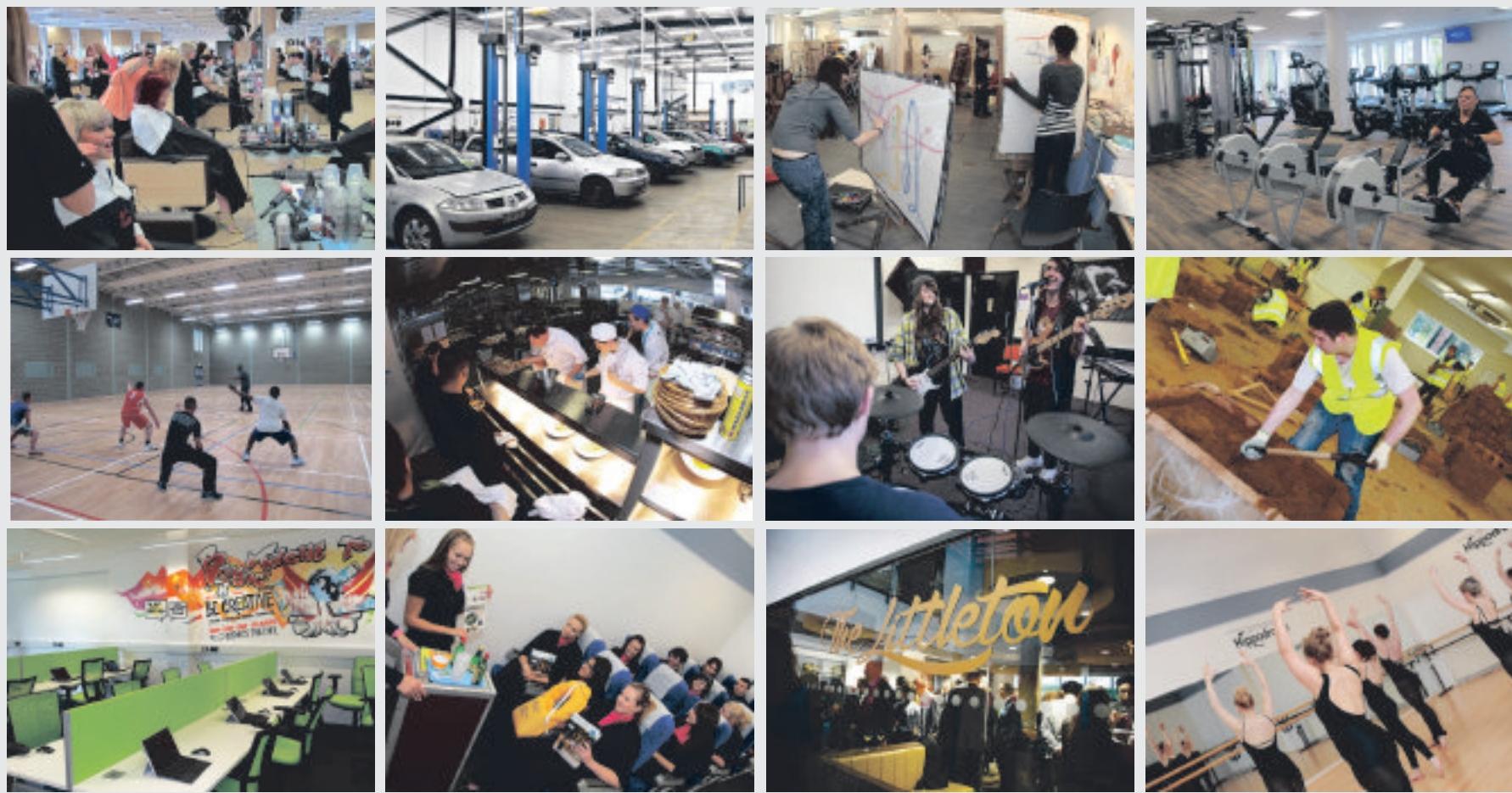
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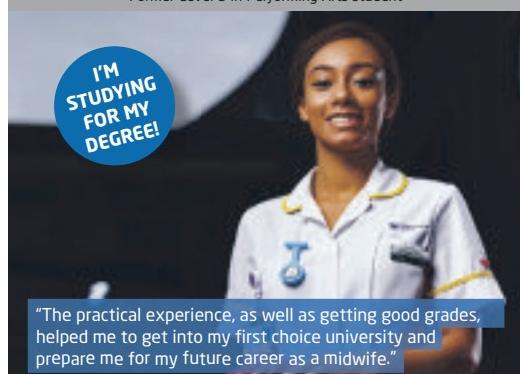
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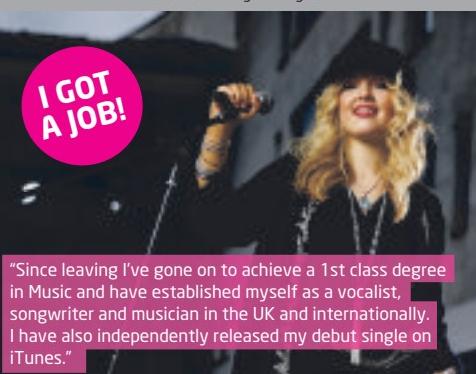
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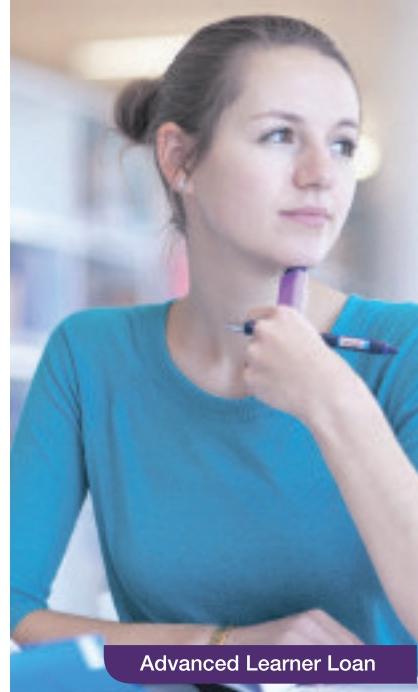
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